

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 February, 2014, at 2:00 p.m., in the Police Jury Meeting Room, Bossier Parish Courthouse, Benton, Louisiana. The President, Mr. Doug Rimmer, Sr., called the meeting to order. The invocation was given by Mr. Glenn Benton, and the pledge of allegiance was led by Mr. Bob Brotherton. 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.

Mr. Breck Bickham was not present.

Ms. Dodson announced the hearing to consider the application of Moner Isa for a Bossier Parish beer license at Haughton Country Store, located at 9011 Highway 157, Haughton, LA, and matters relating to multiple complaints of various violations of Bossier Parish ordinances, including violations of the Alcoholic Beverage Code.

Mr. Jackson advised that several complaints have been received that alcoholic beverages are being sold at Haughton Country Store without a parish alcoholic beverage license. He stated that a report has been submitted by the Bossier Parish Sheriff's Office for review.

Mr. Moner Isa, applicant for a 2014 Bossier Parish beer license at Haughton Country Store, advised that he has not obtained ownership of the store from Ms. Angela Gullo, and cannot do so until he obtains all necessary licenses and permits as required by the lease agreement. He stated that beer is being sold at Haughton Food Mart under Ms. Gullo's parish beer license until he obtains a license in his name for Haughton Country Store. Mr. Isa stated that Ms. Catherine Parks, employee at Haughton Country Store, was recently issued a citation for selling tobacco and beer to a minor, and for selling without a parish beer license.

Chief Tony Staton, Bossier Parish Sheriff's Office, stated that Mr. Isa obtained an application for a parish beer license on December 10, 2013, for Haughton Country Store. He stated that as required by the parish's application procedure, Ms. Catherine Parks submitted a manager's application, advising that she would be working as manager at the store. Chief Staton stated that Ms. Parks' application was incomplete and the Sheriff's Department contacted her on three separate occasions in an effort to obtain the necessary information.

Chief Staton advised that on January 23, 2014, an officer from the State Alcohol and Tobacco Control Office issued a citation to Ms. Parks at Haughton Country Store for selling beer to a minor and for selling beer without a parish beer license. He stated that Ms. Parks was advised that she could not sell beer without a parish beer license. Chief Staton advised that on January 28, 2014, Ms. Parks was again issued a citation for selling beer without a parish beer license. He stated that at that time, all alcoholic beverages were removed from the shelves of Haughton Country Store.

Chief Staton recommended that Mr. Moner Isa's application for a 2014 Bossier Parish beer license for Haughton Country Store be denied due to the violations of selling beer to a minor and selling beer without a parish beer license. He stated that Mr. Isa was advised that selling beer under the previous owner's license is strictly prohibited.

Mr. Roger Shihadeh, Manager of Best Value Mini Mart (Haughton Food Mart), advised that Ms. Angie Gullo, current owner of Best Value Mini Mart (Haughton Food Mart), provided a letter to Mr. Isa advising that the sale of Haughton Food Mart to Mr. Isa will not be final without first obtaining the necessary permits and licenses. He stated that Ms. Gullo is still the owner of Haughton Food Mart and beer is being sold under her parish beer license. Mr. Shihadeh stated that Mr. Isa is not operating the store at this time. It was clarified that once Mr. Isa assumes operation of the store, the store will then be known as Haughton Country Store.

Mr. Shihadeh advised that Ms. Parks went to the Sheriff's Office on two separate occasions to obtain the necessary paperwork for her manager's application for Haughton Country Store, but Deputy Fohl was not in her office. He stated that Ms. Parks advised them that she received permission from Ms. Gullo to sell beer under her current parish beer license for Country Food Mart. Chief Staton advised that other deputies are available to assist with obtaining paperwork for a manager's application.

Mr. Jackson asked for a recommendation from the Sheriff's Department on the approval of the application of Moner Isa for a 2014 Bossier Parish beer license at Haughton Country Store, 9011 Highway 157, Haughton, LA, based on the evidence presented today. Chief Staton stated that if Mr. Isa follows proper protocol for obtaining a parish beer license and meets all requirements, his application will be considered. He stated that Mr. Isa will be required to appoint a new manager, as Ms. Parks will not be approved due to the recent citations issued to her for selling beer to a minor and for selling beer without a parish beer license.

Mr. Jackson recommended that Mr. Isa remove all beer from the store shelves and prohibit the sale of beer until such time as he has appointed a new manager and obtained a 2014 Bossier Parish beer license. He further stated that if Ms. Gullo is the owner and manager of the current store, then she is required to be at the store as the manager, and that Mr. Isa is not allowed by law to operate the business under Ms. Gullo's permits and/or licenses.

Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Plummer, to deny the application of Mr. Moner Isa for a Bossier Parish beer license at Haughton Country Store, 9011 Highway 157, Haughton, LA.

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 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. This matter was tabled on January 15, 2014.

Mr. Thomas Hathorn, Hathorn Surveying, was present. Mr. Ford stated that Prairie Flats Subdivision was approved by the police jury 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. He stated that notices were sent to the three lot owners in the subdivision advising them of today's public hearing.

Mr. Hathorn requested approval of the plat of the Revised Prairie Flats Subdivision, Unit No. 1A, which abandons all lots in Prairie Flats Subdivision, Unit No. 1, excluding Lots 3, 5 and 36. He stated that the developer plans to combine all abandoned lots and currently has no plans to develop the land.

Mr. Benton expressed concern that once the remaining lots are abandoned, there is no way to restrict future development near the three occupied lots as there are no zoning regulations in this area. He requested that written authorization be obtained from each of the lot owners in the existing Prairie Flats Subdivision, Unit No. 1, indicating that they are aware and have no objection to the proposed abandonment of all unsold lots in the subdivision.

After further discussion, **motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Shewmake, 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 time to obtain written authorization from all property owners in Prairie Flats Subdivision of the proposed abandonment of the remaining lots in the subdivision indicating that they are aware of and have no objection to the proposed change; 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.**

Motion was made by Mr. Skaggs, seconded by Mr. Cochran, to schedule a public hearing on February 19, 2014, to consider approval of the plat of the Hinton Road Dedication, being a public road dedication located in Sections 16 and 21, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA.

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

Motion was made by Mr. Skaggs, seconded by Mr. Cochran, to schedule a public hearing on March 5, 2014, to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development of Haymeadow Subdivision, Unit No. 5, located in Section 20, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA.

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

Motion was made by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Cook, to schedule a public hearing on March 5, 2014, to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development of River Bluff Subdivision, Unit No. 2, located in Section 5, Township 18 North, Range 13 West, and Section 32, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA.

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

Ms. Dodson announced the hearing to consider condemnation of property at Lot 1, Family Estates Subdivision, Benton, LA. Mr. Mike Vetkoetter, Property Standards Officer, presented current photographs of the property and advised that the property is now in compliance with property standards regulations. He recommended that condemnation proceedings be dismissed.

Motion was made by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Avery, to dismiss condemnation proceedings on property at Lot 1, Family Circle Estates Subdivision, Benton, 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 1502 Wafer Road, Haughton, LA. Mr. Vetkoetter presented current photographs of the property and reported that there has been no change in the condition of the property.

After further discussion, **motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Ms. Bennett, to proceed with condemnation of property at 1502 Wafer Road, 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.**

Ms. Dodson announced the hearing to consider condemnation of property at 212 Chimney Lane, Haughton, LA. Mr. Vetkoetter presented current photographs of the property and advised that the property is now in compliance with property standards regulations. He recommended that condemnation proceedings be dismissed.

Motion was made by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Avery, to dismiss condemnation proceedings on property at 212 Chimney Lane, Haughton, LA.

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

Ms. Dodson announced the hearing to consider condemnation of property at 10503 Highway 3, Plain Dealing, LA. Mr. Vetkoetter presented current photographs of the property and reported that there has been no change in the condition of the property.

After further discussion, **motion was made by Mr. Cook, seconded by Mr. Darby, to proceed with condemnation of property at 10503 Highway 3, Plain Dealing, LA, in accordance with property standards regulations.**

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

Mr. Vetkoetter reported on a meeting of the Property Standards Board of Review, advising that the emergency condemnation of property located at 2100 Forest Hills Boulevard, Haughton, LA, is recommended by the Board of Review. He presented photographs and advised that the property does present an imminent threat to public health and safety. Mr. Vetkoetter stated that the property has been abandoned, and a fence surrounding an in-ground swimming pool has fallen down making the pool easily accessible to small children.

Mr. Jackson, Parish Attorney, stated that the police jury has the authority to suspend property standards regulations in order to proceed immediately with cleaning up the property if there is shown to be an imminent threat to public health and safety. Mr. Vetkoetter stated that due to the fence being down around the in-ground swimming pool, he recommends that an emergency condemnation be approved to allow parish crews to repair the fencing surrounding the swimming pool. **Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Hammack, to declare an emergency condemnation and authorize parish crews to proceed immediately with the cleanup of property at 2100 Forest Hills Boulevard, Haughton, LA, as the current condition of the property poses an imminent threat to public health and safety.**

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

Mr. Vetkoetter reported that it is recommended by the Property Standards Board of Review that a condemnation hearing be scheduled to consider condemnation of property at Lot 61, Johnson Teague Subdivision, Unit No. 1, Elm Grove, LA.

Motion was made by Mr. Brotherton, seconded by Mr. Plummer, to schedule condemnation hearing on February 19, 2014, to consider condemnation of property at Lot 61, Johnson Teague Subdivision, Unit No. 1, Elm Grove, LA.

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

Mr. Shewmake, Chairman of the Homeland Security Committee, reported on a meeting of that committee, advising that he, Mr. Benton, Mr. Plummer, Ms. Bennett, Mr. Brotherton, and Mr. Darby were present. He stated that Mr. Altimus was also present. Other jurors present were Mr. Avery, Mr. Hammack, Mr. Rimmer, and Mr. Skaggs.

Mr. Shewmake stated that the committee discussed the separation of the Caddo/Bossier Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness, and the selection of a new director for the Bossier Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness.

Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Brotherton, to advertise for applicants for the position of Director of Homeland Security for Bossier Parish, and to authorize the Parish Administrator, Mayor of Bossier City, and Sheriff Julian Whittington to review applications received and submit their recommendations to the Homeland Security Committee for review and final recommendation to the police jury.

The President called for public comment. Ms. Bennett recommended that a deadline for the submission of applications be set for the end of business day on February 25, 2014. Mr. Altimus advised that an annual salary of \$65,000 has been set for the position of Director of Homeland Security. He stated that final recommendations will be submitted for consideration at the March 19, 2014, regular meeting.

Votes were cast and the motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Plummer, Chairman of the Parks and Recreation Committee, reported on a meeting of that committee, advising that he, Mr. Shewmake, Mr. Hammack, Mr. Skaggs, Mr. Brotherton, Mr. Benton, Mr. Cook, and Mr. Rimmer were present. He stated that Mr. Altimus, Ms. Sheryl Thomas, Mr. Ford, and Mr. Andrews were also present. Other jurors present were Mr. Avery, Ms. Bennett, and Mr. Darby.

Mr. Plummer advised that the committee discussed requests received for use of the park. He stated that a punch list has been submitted for completion of additional work, and advised that the fields could be available for use as early as next week. Mr. Plummer stated that a grand opening for the facility is proposed for March.

Motion was made by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Hammack, to authorize completion of the Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire in connection with the 2013 audit of Bossier Parish Police Jury financial records, 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 February, 2014, that Doug Rimmer, Sr., President, be and is hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the Bossier Parish Police Jury, the Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire in connection with the 2013 audit of Bossier Parish Police Jury financial records.

The resolution was offered by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Hammack. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 5th day of February, 2014.

CINDY A. DODSON
PARISH SECRETARY

DOUG RIMMER, SR, PRESIDENT
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Mr. Jackson advised that Mr. Bruce Easterly has submitted his resignation from the board for the Cyber Innovation Center, and recommended that Mr. Butch Ford be considered for appointment to fill this vacancy.

Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Skaggs, to approve the appointment of Mr. Butch Ford to Cyber Innovation Center Board.

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 the application of Mr. John Psalmonds, JJP of Bossier, LLC, for a 2014 beer/liquor license at Rotolo's Pizzeria, 5000 Benton Road, Suite 10, Bossier City, 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 Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Shewmake, to authorize use of the west courthouse parking lot for a Farmer's Market on Saturdays during the months of April through August, 2014, from 7:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m.

The President called for public comment. Ms. Bennett stated that port-a-lets will be placed in the parking lot and removed each Saturday, and that the Town of Benton will be responsible for the cleanup of the parking lot. She stated that a temporary Swepco electric pole is proposed for use by the vendors for fans, etc., and that the events will be covered under the Town of Benton's liability insurance coverage. Mr. Benton recommended that Trailblazers, Inc., be contacted regarding a possible grant for the purchase of a pea sheller for use at the event.

Votes were cast and the motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Ford presented a plat of the proposed development of Country Place Subdivision, Unit No. 5A, being a resubdivision of Lot 363, Country Place Subdivision, Unit No. 5. He stated that the police jury owns Lot 363, and advised that any development of the property is prohibited due to a drainage easement that runs through the center of the property. Mr. Ford stated that the plat stipulates that the proposed Lots 1000 and 2000 are not residential building sites.

Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Hammack, to approve the plat of the proposed development of Country Place Subdivision, Unit No. 5A, being a resubdivision of Lots 363, Country Place Subdivision, Unit No. 5, located in Section 9, 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. Benton, seconded by Mr. Avery, to accept the proposal of Coyle Engineering Co., Inc., in the amount of \$19,700 to provide surveying services for the Eastwood Lateral Relief Ditch, 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 5th day of February, 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 Coyle Engineering Co., Inc., in the amount of \$19,700 to provide surveying services for the Eastwood Lateral Relief Ditch.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Avery. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 5th day of February, 2014.

CINDY A. DODSON
PARISH SECRETARY

DOUG RIMMER, SR., PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Motion was made by Mr. Brotherton, seconded by Mr. Plummer, to approve the Certificate of Substantial Completion of the South Bossier Park, Phase I, Fencing Project No. 13-0060 (Parish Project No. 2013-388), 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 February, 2014, that it does hereby approve the Certificate of Substantial Completion of the South Bossier Park, Phase I, Fencing Project No. 13-0060 (Parish Project No. 2013-388).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Doug Rimmer, Sr., President, be and is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents in connection with said Certificate of Substantial Completion.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Brotherton, seconded by Mr. Plummer. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 5th day of February, 2014.

CINDY A. DODSON
PARISH SECRETARY

DOUG RIMMER, SR., PRESIDENT
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Motion was made by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Cook, to approve the Certificate of Substantial Completion of the Wemple Road Reconstruction-Phase I, Project No. 2013-347, 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 February, 2014, that it does hereby approve the Certificate of Substantial Completion of the Wemple Road Reconstruction-Phase I, Project No. 2013-347.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Doug Rimmer, Sr., President, be and is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents in connection with said Certificate of Substantial Completion.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Cook. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 5th day of February, 2014.

CINDY A. DODSON
PARISH SECRETARY

DOUG RIMMER, SR., PRESIDENT
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Motion was made by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Avery, to approve Supplemental Agreement No. 2 to the Professional Services Contract with NTB Associates, Inc., for the Kingston Road Improvements, Phase I, in the amount of \$7,525.00, 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 5th day of February, 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, Supplemental Agreement No. 2 to the Professional Services Contract with NTB Associates, Inc., for the Kingston Road Improvements, Phase I, in the amount of \$7,525.00.

The resolution was offered by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Avery. Upon vote, it was duly adopted on this 5th day of February, 2014.

CINDY A. DODSON
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DOUG RIMMER, SR., PRESIDENT
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Mr. Ford provided an update on the Kingston Road Improvements Project, advising that it is anticipated that bids will be received in April.

Motion was made by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Skaggs, to accept the proposal of Aillet, Fenner, Jolly & McClelland, Inc., in the amount of \$52,885.00 to provide surveying, engineering, right-of-way maps and construction phase services for State Project No. H.007400, North Bossier Shared Use Trail-Phase II, 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 5th day of February, 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 Aillet, Fenner, Jolly & McClelland, Inc., in the amount of \$52,885.00 to provide surveying, engineering, right-of-way maps and construction phase services for State Project No. H.007400, North Bossier Shared Use Trail-Phase II.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Skaggs. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 5th day of February, 2014.

CINDY A. DODSON
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DOUG RIMMER, SR., PRESIDENT
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Mr. Ford presented Plan Change No. 1 on the Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District No. 1 of the Parish of Bossier Wastewater Treatment Facility, North Bossier Parish Area, FP&C Project No. 50-J08-06B-02, advising that there are no costs involved with this plan change. He stated that approval of this change order is subject to approval by the Office of Facility Planning and Control.

Mr. Burnie Isom, Vice President of Max Foote Construction Co., Inc., was present. **Motion was made by Mr. Skaggs, seconded by Mr. Plummer, to approve Plan Change No. 1 on the Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District No. 1 of the Parish of Bossier Wastewater Treatment Facility, North Bossier Parish Area, FP&C Project No. 50-J08-06B-02, subject to approval by the Office of Facility Planning and Control, 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 February, 2014, that it does hereby approve Plan Change No. 1 on the Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District No. 1 of the Parish of Bossier Wastewater Treatment Facility, North Bossier Parish Area, FP&C Project No. 50-J08-06B-02, subject to approval by the Office of Facility Planning and Control.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Doug Rimmer, Sr., President, is hereby authorized to execute said Plan Change No. 1.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Skaggs, seconded by Mr. Plummer. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 5th day of February, 2014.

CINDY A. DODSON
PARISH SECRETARY

DOUG RIMMER, SR., PRESIDENT
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Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Brotherton, to approve the Certificate of Substantial Completion of the Paved Ditch at 1740 Turning Leaf Trail, Project No. 2013-370, 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 February, 2014, that it does hereby approve the Certificate of Substantial Completion of the Paved Ditch at 1740 Turning Leaf Trail, Project No. 2013-370.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Doug Rimmer, Sr., President, be and is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents in connection with said Certificate of Substantial Completion.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Brotherton. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 5th day of February, 2014.

CINDY A. DODSON
PARISH SECRETARY

DOUG RIMMER, SR., PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Brotherton, to approve the Certificate of Substantial Completion of the Dogwood Trail Ditch Improvements Project No. 2013-371, 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 February, 2014, that it does hereby approve the Certificate of Substantial Completion of the Dogwood Trail Ditch Improvements Project No. 2013-371.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Doug Rimmer, Sr., President, be and is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents in connection with said Certificate of Substantial Completion.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Brotherton. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 5th day of February, 2014.

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Mr. Altimus advised that a Transportation and Infrastructure Summit will be hosted by the police jury on February 11, 2014, beginning at 9:00 a.m., in the police jury meeting room.

Jurors were provided a copy of district highway reports.

Mr. Ford advised that future projects will be discussed at the Transportation Infrastructure Summit scheduled for February 11, 2014. He stated that several entities will be present, including Northwest Louisiana Council of Governments, Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development, and American Electric Power.

Mr. Ford provided an update on the North/South Corridor Project, advising that the acquisition of right-of-way for the project has begun.

Mr. Ford advised that there are several bridges that the parish has reconstructed and/or rebuilt over the past two years as directed by the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development, and it needs to be determined who is responsible for rating/posting standards for those bridges.

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

Representative Jeff Thompson advised that Legislative Session will begin in 33 days, and encouraged the jurors to contact him if there are any questions or concerns.

Mr. Plummer advised that the boat launch at the Red River National Wildlife Refuge off the Arthur Ray Teague Parkway Extension, is now open.

Mr. Plummer encouraged jurors to tour the South Bossier Park facility.

Mr. Rimmer reported on a meeting he attended regarding the Early Childhood Education grant requested by the Bossier Parish School Board.

There being no further business to come before the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 5th day of February, 2014, the meeting was adjourned by the President at 3:22 p.m.

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