

BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY
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The Bossier Parish Police Jury met in regular and legal session on the 2nd day of September, 2015, at 2:00 p.m., in the Police Jury Meeting Room, Bossier Parish Courthouse, Benton, Louisiana. The Vice President, Ms. Wanda Bennett, called the meeting to order. The invocation was given by Mr. Doug Rimmer, and the pledge of allegiance was led by Mr. Fred Shewmake. The Parish Secretary, Ms. Rachel Hauser, called the roll, with all members present, as follows:

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

Others present were Mr. Bill Altimus, Parish Administrator; Mr. Patrick Jackson, Parish Attorney; Mr. Joe E. "Butch" Ford, Jr., Parish Engineer; Ms. Rachel Hauser, Parish Secretary.

Mr. John Hubbard, President of the Military Affairs Council, expressed appreciation to the police jury for its continued support of the airshow. He stated that the airshow is an expensive endeavor, but is well attended each year. He further stated that the success of the airshow is based on the partnership between the community and Barksdale Air Force Base.

Mr. Hubbard introduced Mr. David Dethloff, advising that Mr. Dethloff will be serving as Vice Chair of the Military Affairs Council. Mr. Dethloff expressed his appreciation to the police jury for their continued support.

Ms. Hauser announced the public hearing to consider the application of O. B. Pounders to the Bossier City-Parish Metropolitan Planning Commission, for a zoning amendment to change the zoning classification of a 17-acre tract of land generally located on the west side of Rebouche Road, east of River Bluff Subdivision, and approximately 500 feet north of River Bluff Drive, 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.

Mr. Ryan Estess, Raley & Associates, Inc., was present on behalf of the developer. Mr. Estess stated that the rezoning of a 17-acre tract of land from R-A to R-LD is requested for development of the proposed Lookout Ridge Subdivision. He stated that the proposed subdivision consists of 71 lots, which meets the low-density requirements for a subdivision. He further stated that the proposed subdivision will be located on the land side of the levee, and accessed via Rebouche Road.

Mr. Avery asked if a traffic study has been done for the proposed subdivision. He expressed concern regarding the possible addition of approximately 150 vehicles on Rebouche Road and the railroad crossing. Mr. Estess stated that River Bluff Subdivision, Unit Nos. 2 and 5, are to consist of 28 lots each. He stated that River Bluff Subdivision, Unit No. 4, has not been developed and a moratorium is currently in place prohibiting any construction of homes in Unit No. 2.

Mr. Avery stated that he is concerned with the potential traffic increase on Rebouche Road and the railroad crossing if an additional subdivision is developed. He stated that the access off LA Highway 3 onto Rebouche Road is designed to accommodate traffic in River Bluff Subdivision, and an additional subdivision will only create more traffic congestion at this intersection. Mr. Avery stated that he is also concerned that additional development in this area could adversely impact drainage, advising that there are already existing drainage problems in this area.

Mr. Avery stated that the proposed subdivision is to be located in an area where homes are located on 10 to 15 acre lots, and will be located next to a rodeo arena. He stated that a subdivision is not a good use for the 17-acre tract of land due to the density of this area.

Mr. Estess stated that a drainage impact study has been completed as required, which met and exceeded all requirements as set forth in the Unified Development Code. Mr. Avery asked if the proposed detention ponds have been approved by the Corps of Engineers. Mr. Estess stated that the detention ponds meet all requirements, but approval has not been received from the Corps of Engineers. He stated that Mr. Mark Long, Bossier Levee District, has stated that he did not see any issues with the detention ponds.

Ms. Bennett asked if the detention ponds were discussed at the Bossier City-Parish MPC public hearing. Ms. Carlotta Askew-Brown, Bossier City-Parish MPC, stated that general discussion was held on the detention ponds, and that it was stated by Mr. Estess at that time that Mr. Long did not have any objection to the proposed detention ponds. Mr. Estess stated that the Bossier Parish Levee Board has not yet officially approved the proposed development, but is to consider the matter at its October 14, 2015, meeting. He stated that final plat approval by the police jury for the proposed subdivision would be scheduled for October 21, 2015, or November 4, 2015, and approval by the Bossier Levee Board should be received prior to the public hearing for final plat approval.

Mr. Jackson stated that it was represented during the public hearing at the Bossier City-Parish MPC that sewerage service for the proposed subdivision will be provided by the Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District No. 1 of the Parish of Bossier, but sewerage service is not available in this area by the sewer district. Mr. Ford stated that sewerage service would be provided by the City of Bossier City. Mr. Jackson stated that the Parish of Bossier has not approved sewerage service for the proposed subdivision, as represented during the public hearing.

Mr. Estess stated that he was under the impression that the new force main being installed on the east side of LA Highway 3 would be in operation, and sewerage service for the proposed subdivision would be provided by the Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District No. 1 of the Parish of Bossier. He stated that the proposed subdivision would provide 71 additional customers, which will assist in paying for the sewer district improvements at this location.

Mr. Benton stated that he attended the public hearing at the Bossier City-Parish MPC for the proposed zoning amendment and there were a number of residents present in opposition. He stated that he does not feel the proposed development is an appropriate use for this tract of land. Mr. Benton stated that there could be complaints from future property owners in the proposed subdivision due to odors from the rodeo arena and the livestock located around the 17-acre tract of land. He further stated that the police jury recently denied an application for a zoning amendment for a proposed subdivision off Old Plain Dealing Road with similar circumstances where a subdivision was not an appropriate use of land due to the density of the land located around the proposed development.

Mr. Avery stated that he has spoken with several landowners in this area, and they are opposed to the proposed development of a subdivision on this tract of land. He stated that several landowners stated that they could not attend today's public hearing, but asked that their opposition be presented. Ms. Bennett asked if there is anyone in the audience in opposition or support of the proposed zoning amendment. No one was present.

Mr. Estess stated that since no one is present at today's public hearing opposing the requested zoning amendment, they obviously do not strongly oppose the zoning amendment. Mr. Avery stated that several residents have expressed to him their opposition of the requested zoning amendment and subdivision development.

Mr. Estess asked if the entrance to two mobile home parks located in this area access Rebouche Road. Mr. Avery stated that the mobile home parks do not use Rebouche Road as an access. Mr. Estess stated that smaller lots are located off Tori Drive. Mr. Avery stated that there are no small lots located off Tori Drive, and there are only two or three homes that access Tori Drive.

Ms. Bennett asked if there were any further concerns presented at the MPC's public hearing that have not been presented today. Ms. Askew-Brown stated that there was some concern regarding emergency access to the proposed subdivision. She stated that the proposed subdivision can be accessed via Rebouche Road at River Bluff Subdivision, and further north off Rebouche Road. Mr. Estess stated that the proposed subdivision's ingress and egress will be the same as all other residences on that side of the railroad tracks.

Mr. Avery asked if the addition of approximately 150 vehicles will cause additional congestion on the turn lane north on LA Highway 3. Mr. Ford stated that a traffic study is needed in order to determine if any improvements would be required at this intersection. He stated that there is not a left turn signal on LA Highway 3 at this intersection, which could create traffic issues with additional traffic turning onto Rebouche Road. Mr. Ford stated that River Bluff Subdivision is not fully developed at this time, and any additional development will create increased traffic on Rebouche Road. He further stated that traffic currently backs up on Rebouche Road at this intersection, which is a concern with the railroad crossing.

Mr. Avery stated that the left turn lane north on LA Highway 3 is designed based on the number of vehicles accessing Rebouche Road from River Bluff Subdivision. Mr. Ford stated that when the turn lane was designed, it did not account for any additional development on Rebouche Road.

Ms. Bennett asked if a traffic study should be required prior to consideration of a zoning amendment on this tract of land. Mr. Ford recommended a traffic study be required to determine if any improvements will be needed at this intersection due to increased traffic from the proposed subdivision.

Mr. Benton stated that he is opposed to the development of a subdivision on this tract of land due to the density in this area. Mr. Avery stated that he is also opposed to the development of a subdivision on this tract of land.

Mr. Ford stated that drainage plans have been modified several times for the proposed subdivision, and three 10-foot deep detention ponds were originally proposed. He stated that in order to construct a pond within 1,500 feet of the levee, approval from both the Corps of Engineers and the Bossier Levee District is required. Mr. Ford stated that Mr. Long has advised that no application has been submitted to the Bossier Levee District or the Corps of Engineers for construction of a pond for the proposed subdivision.

Motion was made by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Benton, to deny the application of O. B. Pounders to the Bossier City-Parish Metropolitan Planning Commission, for a zoning amendment to change the zoning classification of a 17-acre tract of land generally located on the west side of Rebouche Road, east of River Bluff Subdivision, and approximately 500 feet north of River Bluff Drive, Bossier Parish, LA, from R-A, Residential Agriculture District, to R-LD, Residential Low Density District, for a residential subdivision.

The Vice President called for public comment. Mr. O. B. Pounders, developer, stated that he is the original developer of River Bluff Subdivision, and due to the recent flood event, it is likely that there will be no further development of River Bluff Subdivision. He stated that several lots and homes in River Bluff Subdivision flooded and the marketability of the lots has decreased substantially. Mr. Pounders stated that during a flood event several years ago, 200,000 cubic feet per second of water flowed down the Red River and was contained within the boundaries of the river bank. He stated 160,000 cubic feet per second flowed down the Red River during the recent flood event and caused severe flooding. He further stated that the Red River has filled up with sand due to the additional lock-and-dam and the Red River can no longer handle the volume of water that is now flowing through it. Mr. Pounders stated that the Corps of Engineers should drain and dredge the Red River in order to prevent future flooding.

Mr. Pounders stated that the areas recently flooded by the Red River are now covered with sand, and stated that the accumulation of sand from a few days of flooding can only determine that the floor of the Red River is no longer as deep as it once was. He stated that until the Corps of Engineers addresses this issue, flooding will be more frequent with less volume of water flowing through the Red River. He further stated that the drainage issues in this area are caused by the fact that the Red River is no longer carrying the amount of water it once did due to a buildup of sand in the river.

Mr. Pounders stated that all residents on Rebouche Road would be allowed use of the emergency access located at the north end of River Bluff Subdivision that connects Maplewood Mobile Home Park to the road system.

Mr. Pounders stated that there are lots located on the river side of the levee, which is a higher density area, that are approximately the same size as the lots being proposed in Lookout Ridge Subdivision. He stated that to his knowledge, there have been no complaints from the residents on the river side of the levee regarding odors from livestock or the rodeo arena.

Mr. Rimmer asked for clarification of the acreage to be developed. Mr. Estess stated that the correct acreage being proposed for development is 17.6 acres.

Mr. Estess stated that this area of north Bossier Parish is growing tremendously and the majority of the new developments located off LA Highway 3 have been rezoned from Residential Agriculture District to Residential Low-Density District. He stated that rezoning requests will continue to be received as the area continues to grow.

Mr. Pounders stated that Rebouche Road was recently improved and should accommodate an increase in traffic from the proposed subdivision. He stated that if it is determined that improvements are needed at the intersection of LA Highway 3 and Rebouche Road to accommodate an increase in traffic, it would be considered at that time.

Votes were cast and the motion carried with Ms. Bennett abstaining.

Ms. Hauser announced the public hearing to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development of Bodcau Hills Subdivision, Unit No. 2, being a resubdivision of Lot 4, Bodcau Hills Subdivision, located in Section 31, Township 20 North, Range 11 West, Bossier Parish, LA.

Mr. Travis Sturdivant, Raley and Associates, Inc., stated that the owner of an 8.576-acre tract is requesting approval to subdivide the property into two lots. He stated that the Department of Transportation and Development has approved one driveway access to both tracts off Highway 157, and advised that a servitude of passage is proposed.

Mr. Benton asked if either of the proposed lots have been sold. Mr. Sturdivant stated that the developer owns both lots and a home is currently being built on one of the lots. Mr. Benton stated that he is concerned that the adjacent lot owner purchased his lot with the assumption that all lots in the subdivision would remain the same size.

Mr. Sturdivant requested that the proposed plat be approved subject to receipt of a written consent from all landowners in Bodcau Hills Subdivision stating that they have no objection to the subdividing of Lot 4, Bodcau Hills Subdivision, into two lots.

After further discussion, **motion was made by Mr. Cook, seconded by Mr. Avery, to approve the proposed development of Bodcau Hills Subdivision, Unit No. 2, being a resubdivision of Lot 4, Bodcau Hills Subdivision, located in Section 31, Township 20 North, Range 11 West, Bossier Parish, LA, subject to receipt of written consent from all landowners in Bodcau Hills Subdivision stating that they have no objection to the subdividing of Lot 4, Bodcau Hills Subdivision, into two lots.**

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

Ms. Hauser announced the public hearing to consider approval of the Replat of the Russell Family Partition, being a replat of the Russell Family Partition recorded on May 6, 2015, located in Section 34, Township 17 North, Range 12 West, Bossier Parish, LA.

Ms. Michelle Russell was present and requested approval to transfer 1.72 acres from Tract 4 to Tract 3, for a total of 12.42 acres for Tract 3, and one acre for Tract 4. She stated that the additional 1.72 acres for Tract 4 will provide access needed for the construction of a home on the rear portion of Tract 4.

There being no objection, **motion was made by Mr. Brotherton, seconded by Mr. Benton, to approve the Replat of the Russell Family Partition, being a replat of the Russell Family Partition recorded on May 6, 2015, located in Section 34, Township 17 North, Range 12 West, Bossier Parish, LA.**

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

Ms. Hauser announced the public hearing to consider approval of the Minor Plat for Marshall Family, located in Section 23, Township 17 North, Range 12 West, Bossier Parish, LA.

Mr. Ford stated that the property owner proposes to create two lots from a 4.482 acre tract of land. He stated that the property is heir property and a succession has been filed. Mr. Ford stated that a driveway for each proposed lot is planned, and recommended approval of the proposed plat.

There being no opposition, **motion was made by Mr. Brotherton, seconded by Mr. Rimmer, to approve the Minor Plat for Marshall Family, located in Section 23, Township 17 North, Range 12 West, Bossier Parish, LA.**

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

Motion was made by Mr. Brotherton, seconded by Mr. Plummer, to consider scheduling a public hearing on October 7, 2015, to consider approval of the Minor Plat for Doug Cheney, located in Section 34, Township 17 North, Range 12 West, Bossier Parish, LA.

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

Motion was made by Mr. Brotherton, seconded by Mr. Plummer, to consider scheduling a public hearing on October 7, 2015, to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development of Olde Oaks Subdivision, Unit No. 3A, being a resubdivision of Lots 23 and 24, Olde Oaks Subdivision, Unit No. 3, located in Section 22, Township 17 North, Range 12 West, Bossier Parish, LA.

The Vice 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. Benton, to consider scheduling a public hearing on October 7, 2015, to consider approval of the Partition Survey Prepared for the Exclusive Use of Iona W. Brooks Flowers and Robert R. and Linda S. A. Flowers, located in Section 29, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA.

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

Motion was made by Mr. Darby, seconded by Mr. Shewmake, to consider scheduling a public hearing on October 7, 2015, to consider the application of the Bossier City-Parish Metropolitan Planning Commission for an amendment to the Unified Development Code to amend the architectural standards.

The Vice 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. Darby, to consider scheduling a public hearing on October 7, 2015, to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development of Hollenshead-Tripp Subdivision, located in Section 21, Township 20 North, Range 12 West, Bossier Parish, LA.

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

Ms. Hauser announced the hearing to consider condemnation of property in Turtle Creek Subdivision, located in Section 2, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Tract 5-A, and Section 11, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Tracts 1-A, 4, and 7-A, Tax Assessment No. 102988, Benton, LA. Mr. David Ghormley, Property Standards Officer, presented current photographs of the property advising that the property is now in compliance with property standards regulations. He recommended that condemnation proceedings be dismissed.

Motion was made by Mr. Shewmake, seconded by Mr. Brotherton, to dismiss condemnation proceedings on property in Turtle Creek Subdivision, located in Section 2, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Tract 5-A, and Section 11, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Tracts 1-A, 4, and 7-A, Tax Assessment No. 102988, Benton, LA.

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

Ms. Hauser announced the hearing to consider condemnation of property at 607 Lawrence Drive, Haughton, LA. Mr. Ghormley presented current photographs of the property advising that the property is now in compliance with property standards regulations. He recommended that condemnation proceedings be dismissed.

Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Rimmer, to dismiss condemnation proceedings on property at 607 Lawrence Drive, Haughton, LA.

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

Mr. Ghormley reported on a meeting of the Property Standards Board of Review, advising that it is recommended that a condemnation hearing be scheduled to consider condemnation of property located at 223 Voss Road, Benton, LA.

Motion was made by Mr. Rimmer, seconded by Mr. Shewmake, to schedule a condemnation hearing on September 16, 2015, to consider condemnation of property located at 223 Voss Road, Benton, LA.

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

Mr. Altimus presented a request from the North Louisiana Criminalistics Laboratory Commission for assistance with operating expenses for the Crime Lab. He stated that a request has been submitted to the 29 parishes served by the Crime Lab for each parish's pro-rata share of \$200,000 needed to meet financial obligations for the remainder of 2015. He further stated that LSA-R.S. 40:2264(A)(4) states that the governing authority from each of the 29 parishes served by the Crime Lab may pay from its general fund, the pro-rata share of the amount necessary to eliminate a deficit based upon the ratio which the assessed valuation of property in that parish bears to the total assessed valuations of property in all parishes.

Mr. Jackson stated that the statute places the financial obligation on the parishes served by the Crime Lab when there is a fund deficit. He stated that the criminal justice system cannot function without the Crime Lab. He further stated that agencies will be working to increase citation revenues in order to prohibit a fund deficit in the future, and will be reviewing sources for permanent funding as well.

Mr. Altimus stated that laws enacted in the recent legislative session will raise additional court cost revenues, but these new revenues will not be realized until after January 1, 2016.

After further discussion, **motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Brotherton, to approve the request from North Louisiana Criminalistics Laboratory Commission for \$20,000 for assistance with operating expenses for the Crime Lab.**

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

Mr. Cochran presented a request from the Bossier Parish School Board for discretionary funds for registration expenses for four elementary school teachers to attend the National Association of Gifted Children Convention in Phoenix, Arizona, in November, 2015. He stated that the request is being presented today due to time restrictions on registration of the teachers for this convention.

Mr. Shewmake stated that the discretionary fund source was designed to assist students with academics and athletics. He stated that the school board budgets funds each year for convention costs for its teachers and staff.

Ms. Sonja Bailes, Bossier Parish School Board, stated that the convention will assist all Bossier Parish schools. She stated that Bossier Parish schools have seen a growing number of students identified as gifted. Ms. Bailes stated that

all gifted elementary school students attend gifted classes once a week at Stockwell Elementary School. She stated that four teachers are assigned to teach the gifted courses. She further stated that funds are not dedicated to the gifted and talented program for this type of professional development, and there are no professional development programs offered in Louisiana for gifted students.

Ms. Bailes stated that this convention is an immense opportunity for the teachers dedicated to teaching gifted students, as they will learn new techniques and strategies to engage and motivate gifted students.

Mr. Shewmake stated that he is aware that the convention would be beneficial for the gifted students of Bossier Parish, but the school board budgets funds for its teachers to attend conventions and he feels that the school board should bear this cost.

After further discussion, **motion was made by Mr. Shewmake, seconded by Mr. Darby, to deny a request from the Bossier Parish School Board for discretionary funds for registration expenses for four elementary school teachers to attend the National Association of Gifted Children Convention in Phoenix, Arizona, in November, 2015.**

The Vice President called for public comment. Mr. Cochran asked the total amount of funds needed. Ms. Bailes stated that \$2,000 is needed to meet the early bird registration deadline, or the registration fees will increase. She stated that the cost will be approximately \$5,000, and further stated that funds are being collected through fundraising, and flyer miles are being donated for airfare.

Mr. Rimmer asked if Bossier Parish teachers have attended this convention in the past. Ms. Bailes stated that she is unsure if this convention has been held in the past, but this year is the first year that Bossier Parish teachers have considered attending.

Mr. Benton stated that teacher training and education should be provided by the school board and budgeted each year. He stated that discretionary funds should be used for programs that have no funding. He expressed appreciation to Bossier Parish teachers for their hard work and dedication, but stated that he believes the school board should provide funding for continued training and education for its teachers.

Votes were cast and the motion carried with Mr. Cochran and Mr. Rimmer opposing.

Motion was made by Mr. Brotherton, seconded by Mr. Rimmer, to approve the reappointment of Mr. Tom Carlton to the Bossier Parish Library Board of Control for a five-year term, term to expire October 1, 2020.

The Vice President called for public comment. Ms. Bennett requested that a letter of appreciation be sent to Mr. Carlton for his willingness to continue to serve on the board.

Votes were cast and the motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Ford presented Change Order No. 2 for State Project No. 576-08-0005/H-009239, Eastwood Drainage Project, advising that the plan change results in an additional cost of \$3,000. **Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Shewmake, to approve Change Order No. 2 for State Project No. 576-08-0005/H-009239, Eastwood Drainage Project, and to authorize the President to execute documents.**

The Vice 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 2nd day of September, 2015, that it does hereby approve Change Order No. 2 for State Project No. 576-08-0005/H-009239, Eastwood Drainage Project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Jack Skaggs, President, is hereby authorized to execute said Change Order No. 2.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Shewmake. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 2nd day of September, 2015.

RACHEL D. HAUSER
PARISH SECRETARY

JACK SKAGGS, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Mr. Ford presented Change Order No. 2 on Wastewater Collection System (Contract No. 1) for Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District No. 1 of the Parish of Bossier, Project No. 2014-415, advising that the plan change results in an additional cost of \$3,010, and provides for 45 additional contract days. **Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Rimmer, to approve Change Order No. 2 on Wastewater Collection System (Contract No. 1) for Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District No. 1 of the Parish of Bossier, Project No. 2014-415, and to authorize the President to execute documents.**

The Vice 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 2nd day of September, 2015, that it does hereby approve Change Order No. 2 on Wastewater Collection System (Contract No. 1) for Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District No. 1 of the Parish of Bossier, Project No. 2014-415.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Jack Skaggs, President, is hereby authorized to execute said Change Order No. 2.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Rimmer. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 2nd day of September, 2015.

RACHEL D. HAUSER
PARISH SECRETARY

JACK SKAGGS, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Mr. Ford presented Change Order No. 3 on Wastewater Collection System (Contract No. 2) for Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District No. 1 of the Parish of Bossier, Project No. 2014-416, advising that the change order provides for 45 additional contract days. **Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Darby, to approve Change Order No. 3 on Wastewater Collection System (Contract No. 2) for Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District No. 1 of the Parish of Bossier, Project No. 2014-416, and to authorize the President to execute documents.**

The Vice 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 2nd day of September, 2015, that it does hereby approve Change Order No. 3 on Wastewater Collection System (Contract No. 2) for Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District No. 1 of the Parish of Bossier, Project No. 2014-416.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Jack Skaggs, President, is hereby authorized to execute said Change Order No. 3.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Darby. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 2nd day of September, 2015.

RACHEL D. HAUSER
PARISH SECRETARY

JACK SKAGGS, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Mr. Ford presented Amendment No. 3 to the Agreement with Dewberry Consultants, LLC, to obtain a hydraulic analysis from the Corps of Engineers. He stated that in 2012, the police jury entered into an agreement with Dewberry Consultants, LLC, to provide a No-Rise Certificate for the raising of seven miles of the Guideline Levee along Red Chute Bayou. He stated that plans are complete to begin the project, and have been presented to the Corps of Engineers for consideration. Mr. Ford stated that the Corps has requested additional hydraulic data and the plans will have to be sent to Washington, D.C., for approval.

Mr. Ford stated that the cost to obtain the additional hydraulic data is \$15,100. He stated that the City of Bossier City has participated in the cost of this project, and a request will be submitted to the City for its assistance with this additional cost.

Mr. Benton asked if Dogwood Subdivision will be affected by raising the levee. Mr. Ford stated that the study shows that Dogwood Subdivision will not be adversely affected if the levee is raised. He stated that the study indicates a slight increase in the water elevation, but mitigation projects are planned further south of the Dogwood Trail Bridge that will decrease the water elevation. Mr. Ford recommended approval of Amendment No. 3 to the Agreement with Dewberry Consultants, LLC.

Motion was made by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Rimmer, to approve Amendment No. 3 to the Agreement with Dewberry Consultants, LLC, in the amount of \$15,100, to obtain a hydraulic analysis from the Corps of Engineers, and to authorize the President to execute documents, subject to the City of Bossier City participating in the additional cost for the project.

The Vice 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 2nd day of September, 2015, that Jack Skaggs, President, be and is hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the Bossier Parish Police Jury, Amendment No. 3 to the Agreement with Dewberry Consultants, LLC, in the amount of \$15,100, to obtain a hydraulic analysis from the Corps of Engineers.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Rimmer. Upon vote, it was duly adopted on this 2nd day of September, 2015.

RACHEL D. HAUSER
PARISH SECRETARY

JACK SKAGGS, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Mr. Altimus requested that the agenda be amended to consider a proposal from the Department of Transportation and Development in an amount not to exceed \$250,000 to complete the Access Justification Report for the I-220 at I-20 Interchange and Extension into Barksdale Air Force Base. He stated that the first phase of the study has been completed, but additional information is required.

Mr. Altimus stated that it would be beneficial for DOTD to complete the Access Justification Report to ensure that all requirements are met prior to submission for final approval. He stated that the proposed new entrance to Barksdale Air Force Base will be beneficial to Bossier Parish, City of Bossier City and Barksdale Air Force Base for future opportunities. He further stated that assistance from the Northwest Louisiana Council of Governments will likely result in a savings in the cost of completing the Access Justification Report.

Mr. Altimus advised that funds from the Cyber Project Fund have been used to fund this project, and approximately \$100,000 is available at this time. He recommended that the additional \$150,000 be taken from the Capital Projects Fund, and stated that all entities that have an interest in this project will be requested to participate in the cost.

After further discussion, **motion was made by Mr. Rimmer, seconded by Mr. Plummer, to amend the agenda to consider a proposal from the Department of Transportation and Development in an amount not to exceed \$250,000 to complete the Access Justification Report for the I-220 at I-20 Interchange and Extension into Barksdale Air Force Base, to authorize an expenditure of funds in the amount of \$150,000 from the Capital Projects Fund, and to authorize execution of documents.**

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

Motion was made by Mr. Rimmer, seconded by Mr. Darby, to accept a proposal from the Department of Transportation and Development in an amount not to exceed \$250,000 to complete the Access Justification Report for the I-220 at I-20 Interchange and Extension into Barksdale Air Force Base, to authorize an expenditure of funds in the amount of \$150,000 from the Capital Projects Fund, and to authorize the execution of documents.

The Vice 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 2nd day of September, 2015, that William R. 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 the Department of Transportation and Development in an amount not to exceed \$250,000 to complete the Access Justification Report for the I-220 at I-20 Interchange and Extension into Barksdale Air Force Base.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Rimmer, seconded by Mr. Darby. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 2nd day of September, 2015.

RACHEL D. HAUSER
 PARISH SECRETARY

JACK SKAGGS, PRESIDENT
 BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Brotherton, to amend the agenda to consider approval of a request from Ms. Agnes Green, 8045 Highway 80, Princeton, LA, to place a second dwelling on Lot 22, Eighty Acres Subdivision, Princeton, LA.

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

Mr. Ford presented a request from Ms. Agnes Green to place a second dwelling on her property located at 8045 Highway 80, Lot 22, Eighty Acres Subdivision, Princeton, LA. He presented a petition signed by all residents, with the exception of one resident, living in Eighty Acres Subdivision, indicating that they have no objection to a second dwelling being located on Lot 22, Eighty Acres Subdivision.

Ms. Green stated that one resident in Eighty Acres Subdivision stated that he did not feel she needed his approval to place a second dwelling on her property, and refused to sign the petition. Mr. Ford stated that the covenants for Eighty Acres Subdivision allow for two dwellings on one lot, but parish regulations prohibit more than one dwelling on a lot, except in the case of providing care for a family member. Ms. Green stated that if approved, her daughter will occupy the second home to assist her.

Mr. Ford stated that Ms. Green has executed a document stating that if her daughter moves from the home, the mobile home will be removed from the property.

Mr. Jackson stated that parish regulations do allow for a second dwelling on a lot to allow caregivers to move on the same lot as long as the lot is not subdivided. He further stated that it is understood that if the caregiver moves from the second home, the home will be removed from the lot. He stated that in this case, the petition signed by all residents of Eighty Acres Subdivision is irrelevant since the subdivision covenants allow for two dwellings on a lot.

Motion was made by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Benton, to approve the request of Ms. Agnes Green to place a second mobile home at 8045 Highway 80, Lot 22, Eighty Acres Subdivision, as a temporary use for a family member only.

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

Mr. Ford stated that Augusta Circle was inadvertently included in the 2015 Road Overlay Program. He stated that Augusta Circle will be removed and replaced with Pebble Beach Drive.

Mr. Ford stated that the 2015 Road Overlay Program does not reflect that Earnest Drive is partially gravel. He stated that only the existing paved portion of Earnest Drive will be overlaid.

Mr. Ford stated that Country Drive was overlaid in the past and will be removed from the 2015 Road Overlay Program. He stated that a revised 2015 Road Overlay Program will be presented for consideration at a later date.

Mr. Ford reported that the deadline for submission of applications for Louisiana Community Development Block Grant projects is November 20, 2015, and requested that jurors provide him with their recommendations as soon as possible. He stated that water or sewerage projects for low-income areas are eligible.

Mr. Ford reported that the Service and Usage Agreement with the Town of Benton for the FY2014-2015 LCDBG Sewer Improvements Project for sewer improvements in East Benton Subdivision has not been finalized at this time. He stated that he is working diligently with the Town of Benton to finalize the agreement.

Mr. Ford provided an update on the Swan Lake Road Bridge, stating that tank cars should be installed Monday.

Mr. Ford stated that a pre-construction meeting on the Asphaltic Concrete Overlay of Woodlake Subdivision Entrance and Placement of P.C. Concrete Pavement for Woodfern Lane Project No. 2015-436, has been held. He stated that the project should begin in approximately two weeks.

Mr. Ford reported that letter bids will be received for drainage projects on September 14, 2015. He stated that the project costs are below \$150,000, and will be handled in-house.

Mr. Ford stated that the Department of Transportation and Development has agreed to move the mast arm located on the south end of the intersection at LA Highway 3 and Wemple Road. He stated that once the mast arm has been moved, the parish can move forward with improvements to construct a fourth lane on Wemple Road to allow traffic to turn off Wemple Road onto LA Highway 3 when the railroad crossing is blocked. He stated that currently, when a train is stopped along LA Highway 3, the traffic light on Wemple Road remains red until the train moves, which is creating a dangerous situation.

Mr. Ford presented photographs of the Red River where the outfall structure for the sewer plant is located. He stated that the recent flood event washed away approximately 50 feet of the river bank.

Mr. Ford stated that an easement was obtained in order to build the outfall structure, but due to the flood event, the road access and easement purchased has been washed away. He stated that the parish has a 15-foot easement that runs to the Red River that will provide access to the outfall structure, but the easement will need to be cleared. He stated that it is likely that the outfall structure will need to be moved to the new bank of the Red River, and the 15-foot easement will be the only access available. He further stated that he has requested a time and material cost estimate from Max Foote Construction Co., Inc., to build a new access road across the 15-foot easement, contingent upon obtaining an additional 30-foot easement from Mr. Stinson. He stated that it is estimated to cost approximately \$58,000 to clear the 15-foot access and construct a new road to access the outfall structure. Mr. Ford stated that a plan change will be placed on the September 16, 2015, agenda to ratify approval for this cost.

Mr. Ford stated that it is a possibility that the Federal Emergency Management Agency may reimburse the parish for the cost of the plan change due to a disaster being declared from the flood event.

Mr. Ford requested that a Road/Subdivision Regulations Committee meeting be scheduled at 11:30 a.m., on September 16, 2015.

Mr. Mark Coutee, Public Works Director, presented an update on activities of the highway department and on several road projects in the parish. He reported that 12.5 miles of the 2015 Road Overlay Program are now complete.

Mr. Coutee stated that the Pilkington Road Bridge is now open.

Mr. Cochran presented a request from Plantation Park Elementary for discretionary funds for the purchase of two robotic kits, and a request from Bossier Elementary School for discretionary funds for the purchase of computer tablets. He requested that each request be placed on the September 16, 2015, Finance Committee agenda.

Mr. Avery stated that the Rosedale Homeowners Association has submitted a complaint regarding a resident who has constructed a wooden skateboard ramp in the parish right-of-way near the sidewalk. He stated that the ramp was originally located on the sidewalk, but has since been moved off the sidewalk. Mr. Avery stated that the ramp remains in the parish easement, and continues to be a public safety hazard.

Mr. Jackson stated that the public sidewalk or right-of-way cannot be impeded. He stated that this matter will be further reviewed.

Mr. Benton reported on the Region IV meeting, stating that it was well attended. He stated that he was re-elected to the Police Jury Association Executive Board.

Ms. Bennett reported that the month of September is Hunger Awareness Month, and asked that donations be made to the food bank.

Mr. Jackson presented a nuisance complaint regarding a large amount of geese in Woodlake Subdivision. He stated that parish ordinances prohibit geese from running at large, and the covenants in the subdivision prohibit owning geese. He further stated that the Bossier Parish Sheriff's Office has contacted the alleged owner of the geese and she claims she feeds the geese, but the geese are wild. Mr. Jackson stated that the homeowner has stated that she will no longer feed the geese.

Mr. Jackson stated that the geese have become a nuisance in the subdivision, and if the geese are not owned, parish animal control can catch and remove them. Ms. Bennett stated that there are approximately 40 to 50 geese located in the backyard at one time. Mr. Jackson stated that this number of geese not only present a health concern, but also a noise concern.

Mr. Jackson stated that the police jury should determine how to handle removal of the geese and what needs to be done with the geese once they are caught.

Mr. Jackson reported that a substantial amount of complaints have been received by police jurors and the Bossier Parish Sheriff's Office regarding aggressive sales tactics, after-hours door-to-door soliciting, as well as soliciting

in posted residential subdivisions where soliciting is prohibited, by a security company, Vivint, Louisiana, LLC.

Mr. Jackson stated that a disqualification and revocation hearing will be scheduled at the September 16, 2015, regular meeting to consider disqualifying and revoking Vivint, Louisiana, LLC, from door-to-door sales in Bossier Parish.

There being no further business to come before the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 2nd day of September, 2015, the meeting was adjourned by the Vice President at 3:35 p.m.

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