

BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY
BENTON, LOUISIANA
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The Bossier Parish Police Jury met in regular and legal session on the 18th day of November, 2015, at 2:00 p.m., in the Police Jury Meeting Room, Bossier Parish Courthouse, Benton, Louisiana. The President, Mr. Jack Skaggs, called the meeting to order. The invocation was given by Mr. Wayne Hammack, and the pledge of allegiance was led by Mr. Jimmy Cochran. 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
Mr. Glenn Benton	Mr. Mac Plummer
Mr. Bob Brotherton	Mr. Doug Rimmer
Mr. Jimmy Cochran	Mr. Fred Shewmake
Mr. Sonny Cook, Excused	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. Rachel Hauser, Parish Secretary.

Motion was made by Mr. Plummer, seconded by Mr. Shewmake, to adopt the minutes of the October 7, 2015, and October 21, 2015, regular meetings, and the October 21, 2015, Finance Committee meeting, as published.

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

Mr. David "Rocky" Rockett, Greater Bossier Economic Development Foundation, expressed appreciation to the police jury for its continued support. He stated that manufacturing companies are showing interest in locating in the Caddo and Bossier Parish area due to the guarantee of electricity and the competitive rate available.

Mr. Rockett stated that available skilled labor in the Caddo and Bossier Parish area also serves as an incentive for manufacturers to locate in this area.

Mr. Rockett stated that the GBEDF plays a role in educating the work force. He stated that the Caddo and Bossier Parish area is beginning to see an in-migration of graduates and work force due to new jobs and opportunities that were not typical in this area in the past. He further stated that the GBEDF works with Bossier Parish Community College to ensure that the necessary training programs are available in this area.

Mr. Rockett stated that the manufacturing training facility at Bossier Parish Community College has been a success due to the partnership with the City of Bossier City, Bossier Parish Police Jury and the State.

Mr. Rockett stated that revenue received by the GBEDF is used for new project development, water and sewer lines, or potentially an infrastructure need that creates jobs. He stated that the return on investments is the job creation component, and further stated that no cash grants are provided by the GBEDF. Mr. Rockett stated that revenue received is also used to participate in the air show at Barksdale Air Force Base and the Independence Bowl.

Mr. Rockett stated that the GBEDF also holds a seat on the board for the I-49 project. He stated that I-49 will help provide interstate logistics which will create larger opportunities for market share for this area as a logistics location.

Mr. Rockett stated that the GBEDF also serves on the board for Barksdale Forward, which serves as a liaison with the Pentagon for budget activity for BAFB. He stated that the GBEDF also assists the Shreveport-Bossier Film Office and Regional Air Service Alliance.

Mr. Rockett requested support for the 1.5 percent hotel and motel occupancy tax increase on the November 21, 2015, ballot, which will assist in bringing additional air service to the Caddo and Bossier Parish area.

Mr. Rockett stated that GBEDF partners with several additional entities to market the Caddo and Bossier Parish area for business and tourism jobs to help build up the state's economy which in turn helps keep the tax base healthy and growing.

Mr. Rockett provided the police jury with the GBEDF Economic Information and Statistics report, as well as a Bossier Parish Manufacturers Guide. He stated that an informational packet is being created which will be provided to new businesses interested in locating in the Caddo and Bossier Parish area and will provide them with a variety of information needed to open a business.

Mr. Rockett again expressed appreciation to the police jury for its continued support.

Ms. Hauser announced the public hearing to consider adoption of an ordinance prohibiting the parking of vehicles on South Marshall Road, located off Bellevue Road in Section 34, Township 19 North, Range 12 West, Bossier Parish, LA, and providing penalties in violation thereof. This matter was tabled on November 4, 2015.

Mr. Ford stated that the homes located on the west side of South Marshall Road were constructed within the required minimum 25-foot right-of-way setback. He stated that only one car was parked on the side of South Marshall Road during the time he was reviewing the area.

Mr. Ford recommended that parking be prohibited on the east side of South Marshall Road, and on the west side beginning at the stop sign located at Marshall Road and South Marshall Road to the first driveway located at 1112 South Marshall Road, Houghton, LA.

After further discussion, **motion was made by Mr. Rimmer, seconded by Ms. Bennett, to prohibit parking on the east side of South Marshall Road, and the west side of South Marshall Road beginning at the stop sign at Marshall Road and South Marshall Road to the first driveway at 1112 South Marshall Road, Houghton, LA.**

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

ORDINANCE NO. 4591

AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING THE PARKING OF VEHICLES ON THE EAST SIDE OF SOUTH MARSHALL ROAD AND THE WEST SIDE OF SOUTH MARSHALL ROAD BEGINNING AT THE STOP SIGN AT MARSHALL ROAD AND SOUTH MARSHALL ROAD TO THE FIRST DRIVEWAY AT 1112 SOUTH MARSHALL ROAD, HAUGHTON, LA, IN SECTION 34, TOWNSHIP 19 NORTH, RANGE 12 WEST, BOSSIER PARISH, LOUISIANA, AND PROVIDING THE PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION THEREOF.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session convened on this 18th day of November, 2015, that from and after the effective date of this ordinance, it shall be unlawful for any person to park a vehicle upon the east side of South Marshall Road, and the west side of South Marshall Road beginning at the stop sign at Marshall Road and South Marshall Road to the first driveway at 1112 South Marshall Road, Haughton, LA.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, etc., that any person who is found to be in violation of any provisions of this ordinance shall be punished by a fine not exceeding Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00), or imprisonment for a term not exceeding 30 days, or by both such fine and imprisonment within the discretion of the court.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, etc., that all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

The ordinance was offered by Mr. Rimmer, seconded by Ms. Bennett. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 18th day of November, 2015.

RACHEL D. HAUSER
PARISH SECRETARY

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Ms. Hauser announced the public hearing to consider approval of the Plat of Survey for Edwin Eugene Roach, located in Section 2, Township 16 North, Range 12 West, Bossier Parish, LA. This matter was tabled on November 4, 2015.

Mr. Ford recommended that this matter be tabled to allow the property owner additional time to obtain a Servitude of Passage from landowners in order to access the two tracts of land.

Motion was made by Mr. Brotherton, seconded by Mr. Benton, to table the public hearing to consider approval of the Plat of Survey for Edwin Eugene Roach, located in Section 2, Township 16 North, Range 12 West, Bossier Parish, LA, to be considered at the December 2, 2015, regular meeting.

The 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 plat of the proposed development of Jamestowne Subdivision, Unit No. 2, located in Section 9, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA.

Mr. Kurt Nixon, Nixon Engineering Solutions, LLC, stated that the proposed subdivision is a continuation of the existing subdivision. He stated that the proposed unit will maintain the same restrictive covenants as the existing units of Jamestowne Subdivision.

There being no objection, **motion was made by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Plummer, to approve the plat of the proposed development of Jamestowne Subdivision, Unit No. 2, located in Section 9, 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. Hauser announced the public hearing to consider approval of the Plat of Partition Survey for Joseph D. and James J. Stickell, located in Section 29, Township 21 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA.

Mr. Joseph Stickell, 1009 Dale Drive, Benton, LA, was present. Mr. Ford stated that Mr. Stickell is requesting approval to subdivide a 12.96-acre tract of land into two lots. He stated that a smaller tract of land was previously subdivided from the larger tract. Mr. Ford stated that the Department of Transportation and Development has approved driveway access off Highway 180 for each lot, and recommended approval of the proposed plat.

There being no objection, **motion was made by Mr. Rimmer, seconded by Mr. Shewmake, to approve the Plat of Partition Survey for Joseph D. and James J. Stickell, located in Section 29, Township 21 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. Hauser announced the public hearing to consider approval of the of the plat of the proposed development of St. Charles Court Village Subdivision, Unit No. 7, a Planned Unit Development, located in Section 20, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA.

Mr. Ford stated that the drainage servitude on the proposed plat provides for a 15-foot servitude on Lot 307. He stated that a 25-foot drainage servitude will be required.

There being no objection, **motion was made by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Cochran, to approve the plat of the proposed development of St. Charles Court Village Subdivision, Unit No. 7, a Planned Unit Development, located in Section 20, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA, subject to review and approval by the Parish Engineer of a revised plat providing a 25-foot drainage servitude on Lot 307.**

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. Brotherton, to schedule a public hearing on December 16, 2015, to consider approval of the Minor Plat for Clayton Bernard, located in Section 6, Township 20 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 Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Darby, to schedule a public hearing on December 16, 2015, to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development of Rose-Neath Cemetery, Unit No. 6, being a resubdivision of a portion of Section 5, Rose-Neath Cemetery, Unit No. 1, located in Section 28, 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.**

Mr. David Ghormley, Property Standards Officer, presented current photographs of property located at 5353 Highway 80, Haughton, LA, Tax Assessment No. 116208, and advised that there has been no change in the condition of the property and recommended that the property be condemned.

Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Brotherton, to proceed with condemnation of property located at 5353 Highway 80, Haughton, LA, Tax Assessment No. 116208, in accordance with property standards regulations.

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

Mr. David Ghormley, Property Standards Officer, presented current photographs of property located at 5226 Timothy Trail, Bossier City, LA, Tax Assessment No. 103148, and advised 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. Darby, to dismiss condemnation proceedings on property at 5226 Timothy Trail, Bossier City, LA, Tax Assessment No. 103148.

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

Mr. Avery stated that he does not feel that a 25 mile per hour speed limit is feasible for any portion of Dutch John Road, and recommended that the speed limit remain 40 miles per hour.

Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Shewmake, to deny establishing a 25 mile per hour speed limit on Dutch John Road.

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 approve the following applications for renewal of Bossier Parish beer/liquor licenses for the year 2016.

The President called for public comment. There being none, **votes were cast and the motion carried unanimously.** Each application has been approved by the Bossier Parish Sheriff's Department and the Health Department.

American Legion Koran Post #388 - Beer

Countryside Exxon – Beer and Liquor

Neighbors - Beer

Rascals Bar – Beer and Liquor

Red Point Food Mart – Beer

Red River South Travel Center d/b/a Red River Casino – Beer and Liquor

Rotolo's Pizzeria – Beer and Liquor

Shockley's Fish & Fixins – Beer

Tio Nacho – Beer and Liquor

Willow Chute Grocery – Beer and Liquor

Motion was made by Mr. Brotherton, seconded by Mr. Plummer, to ratify and accept the recommendation of the Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Unit Board of Appeals on November 4, 2015, to uphold the findings of the Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Unit in the matter of Fowler Transportation LTD, Report Nos. 1196, 1238, and 1239, issued on August 15, 2015, August 30, 2015, and August 29, 2015.

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

Mr. Ford presented Plan Change No. 7 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 the plan change results in an additional cost of \$119,585.50. He stated that the Office of Facility Planning and Control has been asked to participate in the cost of this plan change, and reimbursement will be requested from the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

Motion was made by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Rimmer, to approve Plan Change No. 7 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 18th day of November, 2015, that it does hereby approve Plan Change No. 7 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 Jack Skaggs, President, is hereby authorized to execute said Plan Change No. 7.

The resolution was offered by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Rimmer. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 18th day of November, 2015.

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Mr. Ford stated that the sewer plant is complete, but due to the 2015 flood event, the outfall structure will need to be relocated. He stated that a punch list has been created for the sewer plant, and the contractor will be allowed 45 days from the date of approval of the Certificate of Substantial Completion to complete the punch list. Mr. Ford stated that it is anticipated that the outfall structure will be relocated within the allowed 45 days.

Mr. Ford stated that a two-year maintenance bond is required for the sewer plant and some equipment provides for a one-year warranty. He stated that if the Certificate of Substantial Completion is approved today, time for the maintenance bond and warranty will begin effective today.

After further discussion, **motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Cochran, to approve the Certificate of Substantial Completion of 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, 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 18th day of November, 2015, that it does hereby approve the Certificate of Substantial Completion of 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.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Jack Skaggs, 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. Cochran. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 18th day of November, 2015.

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Mr. Ford asked if anyone was present on behalf of the Kingston Plantation Homeowners Association. No one was present. Ms. Bennett stated that there are a number of children in Kingston Plantation Subdivision, and four-way stops currently exist on roadways in the subdivision. She stated that a four-way stop is needed at the intersection of Silkwood Drive and Tanyard Trace and Sugar Cane Lane and Tanyard Trace.

Mr. Ford stated that ornamental signs are used for stop signs in Kingston Plantation Subdivision, and requested that advanced warning signs be installed prior to the new four-way stops to ensure that the public is aware the intersections have been changed to four-way stops. He also requested that four-way placard signs be installed beneath all stop signs as additional warning that the intersections are four-way stops.

Mr. Ford is to send a letter to Kingston Plantation Subdivision Homeowners Association advising that warning signals for the new four-way stops will be required, as well as four-way stop placards being placed beneath all four-way stop signs in the subdivision.

After further discussion, **motion was made by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Brotherton, to approve a request from Kingston Plantation Homeowners Association for four-way stops at the intersection of Silkwood Drive and Tanyard Trace and Sugar Cane Lane and Tanyard Trace, subject to the placement of warning signals for the new four-way stops and placement of four-way stop placards beneath all four-way stop signs in the subdivision.**

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. Cochran, to accept the proposal of Denmon Engineering Company, Inc., in the amount of \$640,000 for professional engineering services for future projects for the Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District No. 1 of the Parish of Bossier, and to authorize the execution of documents, subject to the Parish Attorney's review.

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 18th day of November, 2015, that Jack Skaggs, President, be and is hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the Bossier Parish Police Jury, any and all documents or contracts in connection with the proposal of Denmon Engineering Company, Inc., in the amount of \$640,000 for professional engineering services for future projects for the Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District No. 1 of the Parish of Bossier.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Cochran. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 18th day of November, 2015.

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Motion was made by Mr. Darby, seconded by Mr. Rimmer, to table acceptance of the proposal of Denmon Engineering Company, Inc., and NTB Associates, Inc., for surveying and engineering services for the East/West Corridor (Winfield Road Extension) Project from Airline Drive to LA Highway 3, and authorize the execution of documents, to be considered at the December 2, 2015, regular meeting.

The 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 accept the proposal of Raley & Associates, Inc., in the amount of \$13,000 for a Line and Grade Study on Caplis Sligo Road and Bull Fight Drive for the extension of Bull Fight Drive to LA Highway 527, 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 18th day of November, 2015, that Jack Skaggs, President, be and is hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the Bossier Parish Police Jury, any and all documents or contracts in connection with the proposal of Raley & Associates, Inc., in the amount of \$13,000 for a Line and Grade Study on Caplis Sligo Road and Bull Fight Drive for the extension of Bull Fight Drive to LA Highway 527.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Brotherton, seconded by Mr. Plummer. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 18th day of November, 2015.

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Mr. Altimus reported on a meeting of Barksdale Forward, stating that representatives from The Roosevelt Group were present and provided an update on the national budget and the affects the national budget will have on the Air Force and other services. He stated that future opportunities for Barksdale Air Force Base were discussed, and that a Base Realignment and Closure is possible in the year 2019.

Mr. Ford stated that three new gauges have been installed on the LA Highway 2 Bridge, LA Highway 154 bridge near LA Highway 157 at Red Chute, and Sligo Road Bridge at Flat River to monitor the level of water during a flood event.

Mr. Ford stated that Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development has lowered the load limit on the bridge located on LA Highway 154 near the intersection of LA Highway 154 and LA Highway 157 to five tons effective tomorrow. He stated that a meeting was held yesterday with Bossier Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness, Bossier Parish Sheriff's Office, and Bossier Parish School Board to discuss the load limit on the bridge. Mr. Ford stated that all parish vehicles, school buses and all other vehicles that exceed five tons will be re-routed to LA Highway 71 and LA Highway 527.

Mr. Ford presented photographs of the Eastwood/Merrywoods Statewide Flood Control Project.

Mr. Ford reported on a meeting with Balar Engineers and Surveyors to discuss the requested rate increase in hourly rates for services performed. He stated that Amendment No. 8 to the agreement with Balar Engineers & Surveyors for the Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District No. 1 of the Parish of Bossier was denied by the police jury on May 5, 2015, due to the requested rate increase. Mr. Ford stated that this matter has been resolved and Amendment No. 8 is to be considered at the December 2, 2015, regular meeting.

Motion was made by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Rimmer, to amend the agenda to consider scheduling a public hearing on December 16, 2015, to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development of St. Charles Court Village Subdivision, Unit No. 6, a Planned Unit Development, located in Section 20, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA.

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

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

Motion was made by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Rimmer, to schedule a public hearing on December 16, 2015, to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development of St. Charles Court Village Subdivision, Unit No. 6, a Planned Unit Development, 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.**

Mr. Ford reported that a resident on Deen Point Road has constructed a pond on his property without proper permitting, which has impacted drainage on the adjacent property. He stated that construction of this pond has blocked the natural drainage and is in violation of parish ordinances. Mr. Ford stated that the property owner was notified via letter in December of 2014 of the violation of parish ordinances, but has failed to comply.

Mr. Jackson stated that the police jury has jurisdiction to file suit against the property owner for blocking the natural drainage which is a violation of parish ordinances.

After further discussion, **motion was made by Mr. Rimmer, seconded by Mr. Plummer, to amend the agenda to authorize the Parish Attorney to proceed with sending a demand letter to Mr. Christopher Stratton in matter of obstruction of natural drain at 1440 Deen Point Road, Benton, LA, and to begin preparation of legal proceedings in this matter.**

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

Motion was made by Mr. Rimmer, seconded by Mr. Plummer, to authorize the Parish Attorney to proceed with sending a demand letter to Mr. Christopher Stratton in matter of obstruction of natural drain at 1440 Deen Point Road, Benton, LA, and to begin preparation of legal proceedings in this matter.

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

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 the 2015 Road Overlay Program is now complete.

Mr. Benton requested that a Road/Subdivision Regulations Committee meeting be scheduled prior to the December 2, 2015, police jury meeting to discuss street drainage, fencing, and streetlights in subdivisions located outside of the Bossier City-Parish and Benton-Parish Metropolitan Planning Commissions.

Finance Committee Meeting – November 18, 2015, 1:30 p.m.

The Finance Committee of the Bossier Parish Police Jury met on this 18th day of November, 2015, at 1:30 p.m., in the Police Jury Meeting Room, Bossier Parish Courthouse, Benton, Louisiana, with Mr. Cook being absent.

Motion was made by Mr. Cochran, seconded by Ms. Bennett, to approve payment of accounts payable invoices in the amount of \$1,607.02 for the Johnny Gray Jones Youth Shelter for the month of October, 2015, as follows:

Elliott Electric Supply	\$ 18.60
Home Depot Credit Services	\$ 18.71
Perot Plumbing	\$304.81
R E Michel Company, Inc.	\$ 38.22
Fitzgerald Contractors, Inc.	\$300.00
Cannon Services, Inc.	\$403.46
Mid South Fire Solutions, LLC	\$523.22

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

Motion was made by Mr. Rimmer, seconded by Mr. Shewmake, to approve payment of all other accounts payable invoices for the month of October, 2015.

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

Motion was made by Mr. Brotherton, seconded by Mr. Rimmer, that Mr. Brotherton will contribute discretionary funds in the amount of \$413.78, and Mr. Rimmer will contribute discretionary funds in the amount of \$100, for a total of \$513.78 in discretionary funds to Houghton High School for the purchase of bow boxes and arrow sleeves for the archery team.

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

Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Rimmer, to approve the request of Haughton High School for discretionary funds for the purchase of uniforms and gear for the cross country team, as follows:

Discretionary		Matching	
Mr. Benton	\$986	Mr. Benton	\$1,500
Mr. Rimmer	\$400	Mr. Brotherton	\$45
Mr. Brotherton	\$172.22	Mr. Hammack	\$351.78
Mr. Plummer	\$45		
Total contribution:	\$3,500		

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 18th day of November, 2015, the meeting was adjourned by the President at 2:50 p.m.

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