

BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY  
BENTON, LOUISIANA  
MINUTES  
September 21, 2016  
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The Bossier Parish Police Jury met in regular and legal session on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of September, 2016, at 2:00 p.m., in the Police Jury Meeting Room, Bossier Parish Courthouse, Benton, Louisiana. The President, Ms. Wanda Bennett, called the meeting to order. The invocation was given by Mr. Bob Brotherton, and the pledge of allegiance was led by Mr. Glenn Benton. The Parish Secretary, Ms. Rachel Hauser, called the roll, with all members present, as follows:

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| 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            |

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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.

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**Motion was made by Mr. Brotherton, seconded by Mr. Cochran, to adopt the minutes of the August 3, 2016, and August 17, 2016, regular meetings, and the August 17, 2016, Finance Committee meeting, as published.**

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

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Ms. Hauser announced that the police jury will now convene as a Board of Tax Review to hear protests on 2016 tax assessments as established by the Bossier Parish Tax Assessor. Mr. Bobby Edmiston, Bossier Parish Tax Assessor, and Mr. Fred Alford, Chief Deputy Assessor, were present.

Mr. Edmiston announced the protest of Aaron's, Inc., P.O. Box 2437, Smyrna, GA 30081. No one was present on behalf of the taxpayer.

Mr. Edmiston stated that an appeal was submitted by Aaron's, Inc., stating that they believe rental property is exempt from property taxes. He clarified that rental property is not exempt from property taxes.

**Motion was made by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Shewmake, to uphold the assessment of personal property owned by Aaron's, Inc., 1880 Airline Drive, as established by the Bossier Parish Tax Assessor.**

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

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Bossier Parish Police Jury met as a Board of Tax Review on September 21, 2016, in the Police Jury Meeting Room, Bossier Parish Courthouse, Benton, Louisiana, for the purpose of hearing protests on 2016 tax assessments as established by the Bossier Parish Tax Assessor, in accordance with the state law; and

WHEREAS, the following assessment was protested:

Property Owner: Aaron's, Inc.

(Personal property)

Legal Description: Personal property located on TR 5P3B-PP01, 1880 Airline Drive, Section 27, Township 18 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA.

Assessment Number: 145384

Protested Assessed Value: \$106,361

WHEREAS, Notice of Appeal Request for Board of Review was mailed in and no one appeared before the Board of Tax Review representing the taxpayer.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury that Assessment No. 145384 be upheld as set by the Bossier Parish Tax Assessor, at \$106,361.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Shewmake. Upon vote, it was duly adopted on this 21<sup>st</sup> day of September, 2016.

RACHEL D. HAUSER  
PARISH SECRETARY

WANDA BENNETT, PRESIDENT  
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

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Mr. Edmiston announced the protest of Prog Leasing, LLC, P.O. Box 2437, Smyrna, GA 30081. No one was present on behalf of the taxpayer.

**Motion was made by Mr. Skaggs, seconded by Mr. Rimmer, to uphold the assessment of property owned by Prog Leasing, LLC, located at multiple locations in Bossier Parish, LA, as established by the Bossier Parish Tax Assessor.**

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

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Bossier Parish Police Jury met as a Board of Tax Review on September 21, 2016, in the Police Jury Meeting Room, Bossier Parish Courthouse, Benton, Louisiana, for the purpose of hearing protests on 2016 tax assessments as established by the Bossier Parish Tax Assessor, in accordance with the state law; and

WHEREAS, the following assessment was protested:

Property Owner: Prog Leasing, LLC  
(Personal property)

Legal Description: Movable personal property located at multiple locations, Bossier Parish, LA.

Assessment Numbers: 179128, 179132, 179136, 179138, 179140, 179141

Protested Assessed Value: \$20,371

WHEREAS, Notice of Appeal Request for Board of Review was mailed in and no one appeared before the Board of Tax Review representing the taxpayer.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury that Assessment Nos. 179128, 179132, 179136, 179138, 179140, 179141 be upheld as set by the Bossier Parish Tax Assessor, at \$20,371.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Skaggs, seconded by Mr. Rimmer. Upon vote, it was duly adopted on this 21<sup>st</sup> day of September, 2016.

RACHEL D. HAUSER  
PARISH SECRETARY

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Mr. Edmiston announced the protest of Craig Charles Spohn and Stacy Doyle Spohn, 1215 Bay Ridge Drive, Benton, LA 71006. No one was present on behalf of the taxpayer.

Mr. Edmiston stated that the property is valued at \$142.16 per square foot, for a total of \$687,800, and the property owner recommends that the property be valued at \$103.34 per square foot, for a total of \$500,000. He stated that the property owner purchased the property in 2009 for \$632,000, and improvements have been made to the property.

Mr. Edmiston presented three comparable properties located in Bay Hills North Subdivision.

**Motion was made by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Benton, to uphold the assessment of property owned by Craig Charles Spohn and Stacy Doyle Spohn, 1215 Bay Ridge Drive, Benton, LA 71006, Assessment No. 100937, as established by the Bossier Parish Tax Assessor.**

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

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Bossier Parish Police Jury met as a Board of Tax Review on September 21, 2016, in the Police Jury Meeting Room, Bossier Parish Courthouse, Benton, Louisiana, for the purpose of hearing protests on 2016 tax assessments as established by the Bossier Parish Tax Assessor, in accordance with the state law; and

WHEREAS, the following assessment was protested:

Property Owner: Craig Charles Spohn and Stacy Doyle Spohn

Legal Description: Lot 11, Bay Hills North, Unit 3, Phase I

Assessment Number: 100937

Protested Assessed Value: \$68,780

WHEREAS, Notice of Appeal Request for Board of Review was mailed in and no one appeared before the Board of Tax Review representing the taxpayer.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury that Assessment No. 100937 be upheld as set by the Bossier Parish Tax Assessor, at \$68,780.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Benton. Upon vote, it was duly adopted on this 21<sup>st</sup> day of September, 2016.

RACHEL D. HAUSER  
PARISH SECRETARY

WANDA BENNETT, PRESIDENT  
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Mr. Edmiston announced the protest of Mr. Brian Keith Walker, 145 Leslie Road, Benton, LA, Assessment No. 110385. Mr. Walker was present.

Mr. Walker stated that his property is not located in a subdivision or near a street, and feels that the Tax Assessor's value of his property is high.

Mr. Fred Alford, Chief Deputy Assessor, stated that the property is valued at \$76.44 per square foot for a total of \$224,970, and a second residence is located on the property, which is valued at \$32.68 per square foot for a total of \$43,262. He stated that this property is a 30-acre tract of land, and the value per acre is \$141.44 for a total of \$4,290, which is a result of the Use Value Assessment.

Mr. Alford stated that Mr. Walker applied for and was granted Use Value Assessment for the 30-acre tract of land. He presented eight comparable properties in the area that are of similar age, construction type and style as Mr. Walker's home. He stated that all eight properties are less square footage than Mr. Walker's home, and have a higher assessed value per square foot.

Mr. Alford stated that no building permit has been found for construction of Mr. Walker's home. There was further discussion regarding a building permit.

Mr. Walker stated that there is no second residence located on the property.

After further discussion, **motion was made by Mr. Shewmake, seconded by Mr. Benton, to uphold the assessment of property owned by Mr. Brian Keith Walker, 145 Leslie Road, Benton, LA, Assessment No. 110385, as established by the Bossier Parish Tax Assessor.**

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

## RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Bossier Parish Police Jury met as a Board of Tax Review on September 21, 2016, in the Police Jury Meeting Room, Bossier Parish Courthouse, Benton, Louisiana, for the purpose of hearing protests on 2016 tax assessments as established by the Bossier Parish Tax Assessor, in accordance with the state law; and

WHEREAS, the following assessment was protested:

Property Owner: Brian Keith Walker

Legal Description: NW OF NW OF SE, SE OF NW OF SE, NE OF NW OF SE, AND BEGIN AT NW COR OF NW OF NE OF SE, THENCE E 44 FT, THENCE S 330 FT, THENCE W 44 FT, THENCE N 330 FT TO PT OF BEGIN, SEC 26, T 21, R 13

Assessment Number: 110385

Protested Assessed Value: \$27,259

WHEREAS, Notice of Appeal Request for Board of Review was mailed in and Mr. Brian Walker appeared before the Board of Tax Review representing the taxpayer.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury that Assessment No. 110385 be upheld as set by the Bossier Parish Tax Assessor, at \$27,259.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Shewmake, seconded by Mr. Benton. Upon vote, it was duly adopted on this 21<sup>st</sup> day of September, 2016.

RACHEL D. HAUSER  
PARISH SECRETARY

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Mr. Edmiston announced the protest of Lott Company, LLC, 395 Jesse Jones Road, Benton, LA, Assessment No. 162018. No one was present on behalf of Lott Company, LLC.

**Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Brotherton, to uphold the assessment of property owned by Lott Company, LLC, 395 Jesse Jones Road, Benton, Bossier Parish, LA, Assessment No. 162018, as established by the Bossier Parish Tax Assessor.**

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

## RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Bossier Parish Police Jury met as a Board of Tax Review on September 21, 2016, in the Police Jury Meeting Room, Bossier Parish Courthouse, Benton, Louisiana, for the purpose of hearing protests on 2016 tax assessments as established by the Bossier Parish Tax Assessor, in accordance with the state law; and

WHEREAS, the following assessment was protested:

Property Owner: Lott Company, LLC

Legal Description: LOT 15, REPLAT OF J E JONES 1<sup>ST</sup> FILING AND: FROM THE NW COR OF LOT 15, RUN N 00 DEG 02 MIN 49 SEC E 50 FT BEING THE PT OF BEGIN, THENCE N 00 DEG 03 MIN 01 SEC E 653.38 FT, THENCE N 89 DEG 56 MIN 59 SEC W 39.52 FT, THENCE N 03 DEG 33 MIN 24 SEC E 216.29 FT, THENCE N 37 DEG 23 MIN 24 SEC E 60 FT, THENCE S 82 DEG 56 MIN 36 SEC E 80 FT, THENCE S 63 DEG 11 MIN 36 SEC E 66 FT, THENCE S 00 DEG 03 MIN 04 SEC E 879.25 FT TO A PT ON N R/W LINE OF PRIVATE RD, THENCE N 89 DEG 16 MIN 49 SEC W ALONG R/W 150 FT TO THE PT OF BEGIN, SEC 11, T 19, R 13./TR 3-E2/

Assessment Number: 162018

Protested Assessed Value: \$78,560

WHEREAS, Notice of Appeal Request for Board of Review was mailed in and no one appeared before the Board of Tax Review representing the taxpayer.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury that Assessment No. 162018 be upheld as set by the Bossier Parish Tax Assessor, at \$78,560.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Brotherton. Upon vote, it was duly adopted on this 21<sup>st</sup> day of September, 2016.

RACHEL D. HAUSER  
PARISH SECRETARY

WANDA BENNETT, PRESIDENT  
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Mr. Edmiston announced the protest of Mr. Darryl W. Reed, 460 Merritt Road, Benton, LA, Assessment No. 165010. Mr. Reed was present.

Mr. Reed stated that the value of his land has increased 60 percent from last year, which he believes is excessive. He stated that he purchased the property in 2007 with an assessed value of \$57,000, and in 2008 the land was assessed at \$125,000 after a home was constructed on the land. Mr. Reed stated that he understands that there is an assessed value for the land and an assessed value for improvements located on the land.

Mr. Reed stated that he is appealing an increase of 60 percent on the land value, and the assessment of tropical housing and camps. He requested clarification of a tropical housing and camps assessment.

Mr. Alford stated that the boat house is categorized as tropical housing and camps. Mr. Reed stated that he reviewed properties located on Black Bayou and Cypress Lake, and stated that all homes have a boat house. He stated that only three out of the approximately 80 homes on Black Bayou and Cypress Lake are being charged a separate fee for tropical housing and camps for boat houses.

Mr. Edmiston stated that the Louisiana Tax Commission is responsible for all assessors in the State of Louisiana and dictates the description and coding of property. He provided additional information on the description and coding of property.

Mr. Reed stated that when he purchased the property, the boat house was already constructed and listed on the assessment as a miscellaneous improvement. He stated that the miscellaneous improvement was changed on the assessment to a tropical housing and camp.

Mr. Reed stated that in 2015, the land was assessed at \$125,000, but for 2016, the land is assessed at \$200,000.

Mr. Alford stated that land value for this property, as well as all other properties on the lake, was not adjusted in 2012 due to the drawdown of Cypress Lake. He stated that the current adjustment of the property represents an eight year adjustment. Mr. Alford presented comparable properties located on Merritt Road.

After further discussion, **motion was made by Mr. Rimmer, seconded by Mr. Benton, to uphold the assessment of property owned by Darryl W. Reed and Claudia C. Reed, 460 Merritt Road, Benton, LA, Assessment No. 165010, as established by the Bossier Parish Tax Assessor.**

The President called for public comment. Mr. Reed further discussed the assessed value of his lot being at a higher value than larger lots located on Merritt Road. Mr. Edmiston stated that assessment of lots on the lake depend on the amount of lake frontage, whether the lot is located on the shallow or deep part of the lake, and on many other variables.

Ms. Bennett asked if the police jury could table the appeal of Mr. Reed until this matter can be further researched. Mr. Jackson stated that tabling this matter is an option, but that the Louisiana Tax Commission will hold a separate hearing irrespective of how the police jury votes on this appeal today. Mr. Edmiston stated that he will further review Mr. Reed's property

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

#### RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Bossier Parish Police Jury met as a Board of Tax Review on September 21, 2016, in the Police Jury Meeting Room, Bossier Parish Courthouse, Benton, Louisiana, for the purpose of hearing protests on 2016 tax assessments as established by the Bossier Parish Tax Assessor, in accordance with the state law; and

WHEREAS, the following assessment was protested:

Property Owner: Darryl W. Reed and Claudia C. Reed

Legal Description: BEGIN AT SW COR OF SE ¼, THENCE N 500 FT, THENCE S 88 DEG 40 MIN E 400 FT FOR PT OF BEGIN, THENCE S 88 DEG 40 MIN E 200 FT, THENCE N 336 FT TO PT ON TRAVERSE LINE, THENCE S 87 DEG 15 MIN W 18 FT, THENCE N 81 DEG 10 MIN W 184.4 FT, THENCE S 351 FT TO PT OF BEGIN, SEC 36, T 20, R 13/TR 4-D/

Assessment Number: 165010

Protested Assessed Value: \$52,277

WHEREAS, Notice of Appeal Request for Board of Review was mailed in and Mr. Darryl Reed appeared before the Board of Tax Review representing the taxpayer.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury that Assessment No. 165010 be upheld as set by the Bossier Parish Tax Assessor, at \$52,277.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Rimmer, seconded by Mr. Benton. Upon vote, it was duly adopted on this 21<sup>st</sup> day of September, 2016.

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PARISH SECRETARY

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Mr. Edmiston announced the protest of Mr. William G. Bryan, 436 Merritt Road, Benton, LA 71006. No one was present on behalf of the taxpayer.

**Motion was made by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Shewmake, to uphold the assessment of property owned by William Gregory Bryan and Anne Marie Bishop Bryan, 436 Merritt Road, Benton, LA 71006, Assessment No. 100377, as established by the Bossier Parish Tax Assessor.**

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

#### RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Bossier Parish Police Jury met as a Board of Tax Review on September 21, 2016, in the Police Jury Meeting Room, Bossier Parish Courthouse, Benton, Louisiana, for the purpose of hearing protests on 2016 tax assessments as established by the Bossier Parish Tax Assessor, in accordance with the state law; and

WHEREAS, the following assessment was protested:

Property Owner: William Gregory Bryan and Anne Marie Bishop Bryan

Legal Description: COMMENCING AT SW COR OF SE OF SW, SEC 36, THENCE N 500 FT, THENCE S 88 DEG 40 MIN E 1000 FT, THENCE S 212 FT TO N R/W LINE OF PUBLIC RD FOR PT OF BEGIN, THENCE N 456 FT TO TRAVERSE LINE, THENCE S 47 DEG E 120 FT, THENCE S 54 DEG 15 MIN E 100 FT, THENCE S 61 DEG 15 MIN E 171 FT TO E LINE OF SE OF SW, THENCE S 460 FT TO N R/W OF PUBLIC RD, THENCE NWLY ALONG RD TO PT OF BEGIN, T 20, R 13./TRS 4-J1, 4-J2/

Assessment Number: 100377

Protested Assessed Value: \$43,200

WHEREAS, Notice of Appeal Request for Board of Review was mailed in and no one appeared before the Board of Tax Review representing the taxpayer.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury that Assessment No. 100377 be upheld as set by the Bossier Parish Tax Assessor, at \$43,200.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Shewmake. Upon vote, it was duly adopted on this 21<sup>st</sup> day of September, 2016.

RACHEL D. HAUSER  
PARISH SECRETARY

WANDA BENNETT, PRESIDENT  
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

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Ms. Hauser announced that protests were received from Halliburton Energy Services, Inc., and Halliburton Energy Services, Inc. – Baroid Drilling Fluids, Pierre Plaza Shopping Center, LLC, Savanna Drilling, LLC, Drilling Tools International, Oscar and Karen Lee, and Eric Wayne Bonner and Lisa Ann Malone Bonner, but each were subsequently withdrawn by the taxpayers.

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There being no further protests, the Board of Tax Review was adjourned by the President.

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The President called for a recess of the meeting of the Bossier Parish Police Jury.

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A meeting of the Board of Supervisors for the Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District No. 1 of the Parish of Bossier was called to order.

Mr. Ford presented proposed amendments to the current water and sewer rates to include a sewer rate structure for mobile homes and apartments. He stated that typically every residential customer has a separate water meter that determines how much to charge for sewer rates. He further stated that there are a few mobile home parks and an apartment complex that are on a master water meter, and it must be determined if those customers are to be charged a residential rate or a commercial rate.

Mr. Ford stated that it is the recommendation of the staff that the residential rate be charged for any mobile home parks or apartment complexes that use a master water meter. He stated that each unit of a mobile home park or apartment complex will be charged the residential rate of \$30.00 for up to 2,000 gallons, and if 2,000 gallons of metered water is exceeded, an additional \$2.50 will be charged per unit.

Mr. Benton asked if every unit, vacant or occupied, will be charged the \$30.00 fee. Mr. Ford stated that each month, the owner of a mobile home park or apartment complex will be required to provide a list of occupied units, which will be verified and billed accordingly.

Mr. Benton asked how unpaid sewer bills will be addressed. Mr. Jackson stated that unpaid sewer bills will have to be handled on a case by case basis.

Mr. Cochran requested clarification of whether the occupant of the unit or the owner of the mobile home park or apartment complex will be billed. Mr. Ford stated that the owner of the mobile home park or apartment complex will be billed for each occupied unit.

Mr. Skaggs asked how the list of occupants from a mobile home park or apartment complex will be verified. Mr. Ford stated that verification of the list will be handled in-house. Ms. Bennett stated that it will take time to set up a good managing system for these issues.

After further discussion, **motion was made by Mr. Shewmake, seconded by Mr. Rimmer, to adopt a resolution amending the current water and sewer rates as adopted by the police jury on February 17, 2010, to include a sewer rate structure for mobile homes and apartments.**

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

RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION AMENDING A RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY ON FEBRUARY 17, 2010, TO ESTABLISH A SCHEDULE OF FEES FOR CONNECTION TO AND USE OF THE PUBLIC WATER AND SEWER SYSTEM FOR CONSOLIDATED WATERWORKS/SEWERAGE DISTRICT NO. 1 OF THE PARISH OF BOSSIER, STATE OF LOUISIANA, REGULATING WASTEWATER, AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO

WHEREAS, Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District No. 1 of the Parish of Bossier, State of Louisiana (the "Governing Body"), has determined the following schedule of fees be established and charged to each residence or commercial establishment connected to and utilizing the public water and sewer systems in the District:

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| Residential Water: | Base Rate: \$20.00 for initial 2,000 gallons of metered water usage.<br>User Charge: \$3.00/1,000 gallons for each 1,000 gallons of metered water usage or portion thereof over initial 2,000 gallons.   |
| Commercial Water:  | Base Rate: \$35.00 for initial 2,000 gallons of metered water usage.<br>User Charge: \$3.00/1,000 gallons for each 1,000 gallons of metered water usage or portion thereof over initial 2,000 gallons.   |
| Residential Sewer: | Base Rate: \$30.00 for initial 2,000 gallons of metered water usage.<br>User Charge: \$2.50/1,000 gallons for each 1,000 gallons of metered water usage or portion thereof over initial 2,000 gallons.<br>Mobile home parks and/or apartment complexes on master water meters will be charged a Base Rate and User Charge Fee per occupied unit. |
| Commercial Sewer:  | Base Rate: \$50.00 for initial 2,000 gallons of metered water usage.<br>User Charge: \$2.50/1,000 gallons for each 1,000 gallons of metered water usage or portion thereof over initial 2,000 gallons.   |

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Chairman and the Governing Body of the District that:

- Section 1. The foregoing schedule of fees is hereby established and shall be kept on file in the office of the District's secretary.
- Section 2. This ordinance shall become effective immediately.
- Section 3. All other resolutions or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Shewmake, seconded by Mr. Rimmer. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 21<sup>st</sup> day of September, 2016.

RACHEL D. HAUSER  
PARISH SECRETARY

WANDA BENNETT, PRESIDENT  
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

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The meeting of the Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District No. 1 of the Parish of Bossier was adjourned.

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The meeting of the Bossier Parish Police Jury was reconvened and called to order by the President.

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Ms. Hauser announced the public hearing to consider the application of Donna Jean Soileau Jackson, to the Benton-Parish Metropolitan Planning Commission, for a zoning amendment to change the zoning classification of a portion of Lot 11, Jones Cypress Gardens Subdivision, Unit No. 2, located in Section 11, Township 19 North, Range 13

West, Bossier Parish, LA, from B-2, Neighborhood Business District, to R-1, One-Family Residence District. The application received a favorable recommendation from the Benton-Parish MPC.

Mr. Sam Marsiglia, Benton-Parish MPC, stated that the applicant owns a total of five lots at this location. He stated that three of the lots are zoned commercial, and the remaining two lots are zoned residential. Mr. Marsiglia stated that an existing home is located on the two residentially zoned lots. He further stated that the applicant plans to combine all five lots into two large lots.

Mr. Marsiglia stated that the applicant is requesting approval to combine the existing Lots 9, 10 and 11 into one large lot, and the existing Lots 12 and 13 into one large lot. He stated that the applicant has also requested that the portion of Lot 11 that is currently zoned commercial, be changed to residential zoning, and the portion of Lot 12 that is currently zoned residential, be changed to commercial zoning.

There being no objection, **motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Avery, to approve the application of Donna Jean Soileau Jackson, to the Benton-Parish Metropolitan Planning Commission, for a zoning amendment to change the zoning classification of a portion of Lot 11, Jones Cypress Gardens Subdivision, Unit No. 2, located in Section 11, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA, from B-2, Neighborhood Business District, to R-1, One-Family Residence District.**

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

ORDINANCE NO. 4625

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 922 OF 1981, THE BENTON-PARISH METROPOLITAN PLANNING COMMISSION ZONING REGULATIONS, TO CHANGE THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF A PORTION OF LOT 11, JONES CYPRESS GARDENS SUBDIVISION, UNIT NO. 2, LOCATED IN SECTION 11, TOWNSHIP 19 NORTH, RANGE 13 WEST, BOSSIER PARISH, LA, FROM B-2, NEIGHBORHOOD BUSINESS DISTRICT, TO R-1, ONE-FAMILY RESIDENCE DISTRICT

BE IT ORDAINED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session convened on this 21<sup>st</sup> day of September, 2016, that Ordinance No. 922 of 1981 of the Police Jury of Bossier Parish, Louisiana, is hereby amended to change the zoning classification of a portion of Lot 11, Jones Cypress Gardens Subdivision, Unit No. 2, located in Section 11, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA, from B-2, Neighborhood Business District, to R-1, One-Family Residence District, being more particularly described as follows:

BEGINNING AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF LOT 11, JONES CYPRESS GARDENS SUBDIVISION, UNIT 2, BENTON, PARISH, LA 71006, ALSO BEING A POINT ON THE EASTERN RIGHT OF WAY OF SOUTH LAKESHORE DRIVE, THENCE RUN NORTH 68 DEG 27 MIN 27 SECONDS A DISTANCE OF 221.44'; THENCE RUN SOUTH 23 DEG 54 MIN 00 SECONDS EAST APPROXIMATELY 25' TO A POINT ON THE SOUTHERN PROPERTY LINE OF LOT 11, JONES CYPRESS GARDENS SUBDIVISION, UNIT 2; THENCE RUN SOUTH 68 DEG 00 MINS WEST ALONG THE SOUTHERN PROPERTY LINE OF SAID LOT 11 APPROXIMATELY 215' TO THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF SAID LOT 11, ALSO BEING A POINT ON THE EASTERN RIGHT OF WAY OF SOUTH LAKESHORE DRIVE; THENCE NORTHWEST ALONG SAID RIGHT OF WAY NORTH 29 DEG 51 MIN 02 SECONDS A DISTANCE OF 34.94' TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. SAID TRACT CONTAINING APPROXIMATELY .15 ACRES MORE OR LESS.

Applicant: Donna Jean Soileau Jackson  
Purpose: Residential

The ordinance was offered by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Avery. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 21<sup>st</sup> day of September, 2016.

RACHEL D. HAUSER  
PARISH SECRETARY

WANDA BENNETT, PRESIDENT  
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

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Ms. Hauser announced the public hearing to consider the application of Donna Jean Soileau Jackson, to the Benton-Parish Metropolitan Planning Commission, for a zoning amendment to change the zoning classification of a portion of Lot 12, Jones Cypress Gardens Subdivision, Unit No. 2, located in Section 11, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA, from R-1, One-Family Residence District, to B-2, Neighborhood Business District. The application received a favorable recommendation from the Benton-Parish MPC.

Mr. Marsiglia stated that the applicant is requesting approval to rezone a portion of Lot 12 from residential to commercial to create one large commercially zoned lot.

There being no objection, **motion was made by Mr. Skaggs, seconded by Mr. Benton, to approve the application of Donna Jean Soileau Jackson, to the Benton-Parish Metropolitan Planning Commission, for a zoning amendment to change the zoning classification of a portion of Lot 12, Jones Cypress Gardens Subdivision, Unit No. 2, located in Section 11, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA, from R-1, One-Family Residence District, to B-2, Neighborhood Business District.**

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

## ORDINANCE NO. 4626

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 922 OF 1981, THE BENTON-PARISH METROPOLITAN PLANNING COMMISSION ZONING REGULATIONS, TO CHANGE THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF A PORTION OF LOT 12, JONES CYPRESS GARDENS SUBDIVISION, UNIT NO. 2, LOCATED IN SECTION 11, TOWNSHIP 19 NORTH, RANGE 13 WEST, BOSSIER PARISH, LA, FROM R-1, ONE-FAMILY RESIDENCE DISTRICT, TO B-2, NEIGHBORHOOD BUSINESS DISTRICT

BE IT ORDAINED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session convened on this 21<sup>st</sup> day of September, 2016, that Ordinance No. 922 of 1981 of the Police Jury of Bossier Parish, Louisiana, is hereby amended to change the zoning classification of a portion of Lot 12, Jones Cypress Gardens Subdivision, Unit No. 2, located in Section 11, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA, from R-1, One-Family Residence District, to B-2, Neighborhood Business District, being more particularly described as follows:

BEGINNING AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 12 OF JONES CYPRESS GARDENS SUBDIVISION, UNIT 2, BOSSIER PARISH, LA 71006; RUN THENCE 26 DEG 48 MINS WEST 251' TO THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF SAID LOT 12; RUN THENCE SOUTH 70 DEG 27 MIN 33" WEST, ALONG THE SOUTHERN PROPERTY LINE A DISTANCE OF 276.51'; RUN THENCE NORTH 23 DEG 54 MIN 00 SEC WEST APPROXIMATELY 66' TO A POINT ON THE NORTHERN PROPERTY LINE OF LOT 12; RUN THENCE NORTH 68 DEG 00 MIN EAST APPROXIMATELY 450' TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING OF SAID TRACT CONTAINING APPROXIMATELY .58 ACRES MORE OR LESS.

Applicant: Donna Jean Soileau Jackson

Purpose: Commercial

The ordinance was offered by Mr. Skaggs, seconded by Mr. Benton. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 21<sup>st</sup> day of September, 2016.

RACHEL D. HAUSER  
PARISH SECRETARY

WANDA BENNETT, PRESIDENT  
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

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Ms. Hauser announced the public hearing to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development of Belmere Subdivision, Unit No. 3, located in Section 4, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA.

Mr. Robert Aiello, River Ranch Acres Company, LLC, developer of Belmere Subdivision, Unit No. 3, was present. Mr. Ford stated that a detention pond is planned on Lot 1001, advising that it meets the regulations of the parish's no adverse impact ordinance. He stated that sidewalks and streetlights are planned. Mr. Ford stated that a five-foot drainage servitude is proposed in the rear of the lots to prevent drainage across existing lots. He stated that the drainage servitude will be a private servitude and property owners are required to maintain the servitude. Mr. Ford stated that this requirement is to be clearly indicated on the plat.

Mr. Benton expressed concern that property owners will place flowerbeds and other improvements in the drainage servitude, and asked who will monitor this to ensure that property owners do not block the drainage. Ms. Michan Holbrook, Coyle Engineering Co., Inc., stated that a concrete swale is planned.

There being no objection, **motion was made by Mr. Skaggs, seconded by Mr. Avery, to approve the plat of the proposed development of Belmere Subdivision, Unit No. 3, located in Section 4, 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.**

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Ms. Hauser announced the public hearing to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development of Belmere Subdivision, Unit No. 4, located in Section 4, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA.

Mr. Aiello stated that a private five-foot concrete drainage servitude is planned at the rear of the lots in this proposed development as well.

There being no objection, **motion was made by Mr. Skaggs, seconded by Mr. Shewmake, to approve the plat of the proposed development of Belmere Subdivision, Unit No. 4, located in Section 4, 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.**

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Ms. Hauser announced the public hearing to consider approval of the plat of the proposed Sligo Partition, located in Section 22, Township 17 North, Range 12 West, Bossier Parish, LA.

Mr. Travis Sturdivant, Raley and Associates, Inc., was present. Mr. Ford recommended approval.

There being no objection, **motion was made by Mr. Brotherton, seconded by Mr. Plummer, to approve the plat of the proposed Sligo Partition, located in Section 22, Township 17 North, Range 12 West, Bossier Parish, LA.**

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

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Ms. Hauser announced the public hearing to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development of Waterford Bend Subdivision, located in Section 22, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA. This matter was tabled on September 7, 2016.

Mr. Donnie Barker, Mohr and Associates, Inc., was present. Mr. Lino Andreani, Southern Home Builders, Inc., stated that the proposed Waterford Bend Subdivision development is a section of the Legacy Subdivisions, similar to Redwood Place at Legacy Subdivision, Bell Rose at Legacy Subdivision, and Cattail Pointe at Legacy Subdivision. He stated that the development will be associated with the master homeowners association as a separate section. He stated that residents of the proposed development will have access to all common areas of the Legacy Subdivisions.

Mr. Skaggs asked if the proposed subdivision will follow the same homeowners association regulations as the other Legacy Subdivisions. Mr. Andreani stated that the proposed subdivision will follow the same homeowners

association general rules, but some of the individual subdivisions do have additional rules. Mr. Ford stated that the homes planned will be built in the same style as the homes located in Belle Rose at Legacy Subdivision.

Mr. Ford stated that a letter has been received from Southern Home Builders, Inc., stating that they will begin construction of the extension of Sawgrass Parkway, which is located in Belle Rose at Legacy Subdivision, to Legacy Elementary Drive within two years. Mr. Skaggs asked if the extension would be complete in the next two years. Mr. Ford stated that the letter states that construction will begin in two years. Mr. Skaggs stated that this road needs to be complete in two years. Mr. Andreani stated that he is unsure if they would be able to complete the extension of Sawgrass Parkway within two years due to the cost.

Mr. Skaggs stated that he will agree to approve the proposed plat of Waterford Bend Subdivision if the developer commits that the Sawgrass Parkway extension to Legacy Elementary School will be completed within two years. Mr. Jackson stated that if the police jury is inclined to require the completion of Sawgrass Parkway within two years as a part of the infrastructure package for the proposed development, it would need to do so now and require that all permits be held until the extension is complete. He stated that typically, permits are held on subdivisions until all infrastructure is complete.

Mr. Avery requested documentation that the Bossier Parish School Board has reviewed preliminary plans for the extension of Sawgrass Parkway and how the extension will tie into Legacy Elementary Drive, prior to approval of the proposed Waterford Bend Subdivision.

Mr. Benton asked how the extension of Sawgrass Parkway will benefit school traffic. Mr. Ford stated that the extension will reduce traffic on Swan Lake Road. He stated that there has been discussion on how the children will safely cross Legacy Elementary Drive from the proposed development to the school. Mr. Ford stated that a crosswalk is needed on Legacy Elementary Drive and he is requesting that Southern Home Builders, Inc., install a sidewalk from the entrance of the proposed subdivision to Legacy Elementary School. He stated that he is unsure if a crossing guard will be required at the crosswalk.

After further discussion, **motion was made by Mr. Skaggs, seconded by Mr. Darby, to table the public hearing to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development of Waterford Bend Subdivision, located in Section 22, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA, to be considered at the October 5, 2016, regular meeting.**

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

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**Motion was made by Mr. Skaggs, seconded by Mr. Rimmer, to schedule a public hearing on October 19, 2016, to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development of Redwood Place at Legacy Subdivision, Unit No. 9, a Planned Unit Development, located in Section 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.**

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**Motion was made by Mr. Cook, seconded by Mr. Shewmake, to schedule a public hearing on October 19, 2016, to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development of Faith Estates Subdivision, Unit No. 2, located in Section 28, Township 19 North, Range 11 West, Bossier Parish, LA.**

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

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**Motion was made by Mr. Skaggs, seconded by Mr. Benton, to schedule a public hearing on October 19, 2016, to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development of Miller Acres Subdivision, located in Section 25, Township 20 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA.**

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

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**Motion was made by Mr. Skaggs, seconded by Mr. Brotherton, to schedule a public hearing on October 19, 2016, to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development of Powell Family Partition Subdivision, located in Section 6, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, and Section 31, Township 20 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA.**

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

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Ms. Hauser announced the hearing to consider condemnation of property at 3279 Jamerson Road, Haughton, LA, Tax Assessment No. 116009. Mr. David Ghormley, Property Standards Officer, presented current photographs of the property and advised that there are several unsecured inoperative vehicles on the property and other trash and debris, which present an imminent threat to public health and safety.

Mr. Russell Jamerson, 3279 Jamerson Road, Haughton, LA, stated that he has been unable to work to clean up the property due to illness. He stated that his son recently moved in with him, and will be able to assist with cleaning up the property.

Ms. Bennett stated that it is imperative that this property be cleaned up as soon as possible.

**Motion was made by Mr. Brotherton, seconded by Mr. Cook, to allow the owner of property located at 3279 Jamerson Road, Haughton, LA, Tax Assessment No. 116009, an additional thirty (30) days in which to bring the property into compliance with property standards regulations.**

The President called for public comment. There being none, **votes were cast and the motion carried unanimously.** The matter will be reviewed at the November 2, 2016, regular meeting.



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Ms. Hauser announced the hearing to consider condemnation of property at 3185, 3189, 3191, and 3199, Tract 8-D, Jamerson Road, Haughton, LA, Tax Assessment No. 116130. Mr. Ghormley presented current photographs of the property advising that there has been no change in the condition of the property.

Mr. Ghormley stated that the property does present an imminent threat to public health and safety, and recommended that the property be condemned. He further stated that one uninhabitable dwelling exist on the property that needs to be removed.

Ms. Sonya Jamerson, 3199 Jamerson Road, Haughton, LA, stated that the property in question belongs to her aunt. She stated that properties located at 3191 and 3199 Jamerson Road are not connected with the property located at 3185 and 3189 Jamerson Road. Mr. Ghormley explained that all four addresses are located on one tract of land.

Ms. Bennett asked if Ms. Jamerson's aunt lives on the property and if anyone could assist her with cleaning up the property. Ms. Jamerson stated that her aunt's son lives in the mobile home and it has no electricity or septic system. Ms. Bennett stated that the property needs to be cleaned up, and no one should be living in the uninhabitable home located on the property.

Mr. Jackson stated that Agenda Item Number 16 is associated with property located at 3185 Jamerson Road, which is also being considered for condemnation. He stated that in addition to property standards violations and other public health and safety concerns at this location, he is seeking authority to pursue legal proceedings due to the improper discharge of sewer effluent at 3185 Jamerson Road.

Mr. Jackson stated that immediate action is needed pertaining to condemnation of the property, as well as legal proceedings due to the improper discharge of sewer effluent. He stated that Mr. Chip Reeves, Bossier Parish Health Unit, has reviewed the condition of the property and believes that the improper discharge of sewer effluent is an economic issue as the property owner is financially unable to correct the sewer issues. He further stated that this is causing a public health hazard.

Mr. Jackson stated that it is possible that once pleadings are filed with the 26<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Court for the improper discharge of sewer effluent, all residents living on this tract of land will be required to vacate the property immediately. He requested that Ms. Jamerson provide information as to how this issue can be resolved.

Mr. Brotherton stated that this is not the first violation on this property, and asked Ms. Jamerson if there is a possibility that the families living on the tract of land could come together and work to bring the property into compliance with property standards regulations, as well as correct the improper discharge of sewer effluent. Ms. Jamerson stated that she would commit to cleaning her portion of the property, but she is unable to speak on behalf of the other families living on the tract of land. She stated that the families have not responded to the police jury's demand regarding property standard violations and the improper discharge of sewer effluent.

Mr. Jackson stated that the issue is that all four families live on one tract of land, and although effluent is being improperly discharged by one of the families, a ruling by the court would render all structures uninhabitable and all families will be forced to vacate the property. He stated that by law, only one residence is allowed on one tract of land, and this particular tract of land has four residences.

There was further discussion pertaining to ownership of the property. Mr. Brotherton stated that if the families living on the property will commit to cleaning up the property and guarantee progress, he is willing to allow additional time for the property to be cleaned up.

Mr. Ghormley stated that he and Mr. Reeves visited the property this morning and the water has been turned off to the mobile home where the sewer effluent is being discharged. He stated that the ground was dry. Mr. Jackson stated that if the police jury authorizes him to pursue legal proceedings for the improper discharge of sewer effluent, it will take approximately three weeks for a hearing to be scheduled with the 26<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Court. He further stated that if the property owners are able to show substantial effort in cleaning up the property prior to a court hearing, he will request additional time from the Department of Health and Hospitals for the sewer violation.

Mr. Jackson asked if anyone was living in the structure where the sewer effluent is being improperly discharged. Ms. Jamerson stated that someone is residing in the home. Mr. Jackson asked if there was any running water to the home. Ms. Jamerson stated that a water hose connected to the water well provides water to the home. There was brief discussion regarding the proximity of the water well to the location where sewer effluent is being discharged.

After further discussion, **motion was made by Mr. Brotherton, seconded by Mr. Plummer, to proceed with condemnation of property at 3185, 3189, 3191, and 3199, Tract 8-D, Jamerson Road, Haughton, LA, Tax Assessment No. 116130, in accordance with property standards regulations.**

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

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Mr. Ghormley presented current photographs of property located at 3463 Jamerson Road, Haughton, LA, Tax Assessment No. 115374, advising that the property owner has done a substantial amount of work to clean up the property. Mr. Ghormley recommended that the file on this property be closed.

**Motion was made by Mr. Brotherton, seconded by Mr. Cochran, to dismiss condemnation proceedings on property at 3463 Jamerson Road, Haughton, LA, Tax Assessment No. 115374.**

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

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Mr. Ghormley presented current photographs of property located at 209 Chimney Lane, Haughton, LA, Tax Assessment No. 114782, advising that the property owner has done a substantial amount of work to clean up the property. He stated that both vehicles located on the property have current tags, and it is anticipated that a new key for one of the vehicles will be received Friday and all newspapers will be removed from the vehicle at that time. Mr. Ghormley recommended that the file on this property be closed, and stated that he will continue to monitor this property.

**Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Shewmake, to dismiss condemnation proceedings on property at 209 Chimney Lane, Haughton, LA, Tax Assessment No. 114782, with Mr. Ghormley continuing to monitor the property.**

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

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**Motion was made by Mr. Shewmake, seconded by Mr. Skaggs, to ratify and accept the recommendation of the Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Unit Board of Appeals on September 7, 2016, to uphold the findings of the Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Unit in the matter of LA Gator Trucking, LLC, Report No. 1473, issued on June 28, 2016.**

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

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**Motion was made by Mr. Brotherton, seconded by Mr. Plummer, to authorize the Parish Attorney to pursue legal proceedings in the matter of the improper discharge of sewer effluent on property owned by Earnestine Johnson, Sapphire Land Co., LLC, Donna Kay Johnson, and Eric Crittenden at 3185 Jamerson Road, Haughton, LA.**

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

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Mr. Jackson stated that the Bossier Parish Sheriff's Department has requested the police jury's assistance with addressing the prohibition of imitation firearms on school property and at school sponsored functions.

Lt. Adam Johnson, Director of Securities at Bossier Parish Schools, stated that imitation firearms at Bossier Parish schools and school sponsored events have become an issue and Louisiana R.S. 14:95 does not clearly address these issues. He stated that a recent incident occurred at a high school football game when law enforcement officers were responding to a fight. He stated that individuals pulled imitation firearms as they ran from law enforcement officers, creating a dangerous situation for all parties involved. Lt. Johnson stated that there are no laws governing imitation firearms.

Lt. Johnson stated that another incident happened when a student posted a picture on social media holding a firearm during school hours and while on school campus.

Lt. Johnson presented a proposed ordinance to address the issue of imitation firearms, as well as projectiles, dangerous weapons, and ammunition at Bossier Parish Schools or school sponsored events.

Mr. Jackson stated that he has worked with counsel for the Bossier Parish Sheriff's Department on the proposed ordinance, and stated adoption of the proposed ordinance does not imply that the police jury is anti-Second Amendment. He stated that the proposed ordinance addresses legal ramifications when a student or non-student brings imitation firearms to school or school sponsored events.

After further discussion, **motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Brotherton, to adopt an ordinance amending Chapter 78 of the Bossier Parish Code of Ordinances, "Offenses and Miscellaneous Provisions", to add Section 78-3, School Security.**

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

#### ORDINANCE NO. 4627

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 78 OF THE BOSSIER PARISH CODE OF ORDINANCES, "OFFENSES AND MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS", BY ADDING SECTION 78-3, "SCHOOL SECURITY"

BE IT ORDAINED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 21st day of September, 2016, that Chapter 78 of the Bossier Parish Code of Ordinances, be and is hereby amended to add Section 78-3, as follows:

#### Section 78-3. School Security

(a) Unlawful carrying of imitation firearms, projectiles, dangerous weapons, or ammunition by a student or non-student on school property, at school sponsored functions:

1. The following words, terms and phrases, when used in this section, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this subsection, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

*Campus* means all facilities and property within the boundary of the school property;

*Non-student* means any person not registered and/or enrolled in that school or a suspended student who does not have permission to be on the school campus;

*School* means any elementary, secondary, high school, vocational-technical school or college;

*School bus* means any motor bus, or other vehicle, being used to transport children to and from school or in connection with school activities;

*Imitation firearms* means any BB device, toy gun, replica of a firearm, CO2 propellant firearm device or other device that is substantially similar in coloration and overall appearance to an existing firearm as to lead a reasonable person to perceive that the device is a firearm;

*Projectiles* means non-powder items, usually made of hard metal or plastic, propelled by the use of an imitation firearm through the use of air pressure, CO2 pressure or spring action;

*Dangerous weapons* means any substance defined in R.S. 14:2 A(A) (3);

*Ammunition* means any cartridge, shell, or projectile designed for a use in a firearm;

2. Except as provided herein, it shall be unlawful, by any student or non-student, to possess or cause to possess an imitation firearm, projectile, dangerous weapons, or ammunition on school property, at a school sponsored function, while on a school campus, on any school transportation, or at any school sponsored function in a specific designated area including but not limited to athletic competitions, dances, parties or any extracurricular activities.

3. This section shall not apply to peace officers, as defined by R.S. 40:2402, including but not limited to a federal law enforcement officer or a Louisiana-commissioned state, or local Post Certified law enforcement officer who is authorized to carry firearms, a school official acting during the normal course of his employment, or a student under the direction of such school official or employee.

4. This section shall not apply to any person having written permission under R.S. 17:3361.1, or if the possession of such imitation firearm, projectile, dangerous weapons, or ammunition occurs entirely on private property, within a private residence, or any constitutionally protected activity which cannot be regulated by the state, such as these items being contained entirely within a motor vehicle.

5. This section shall not apply to any student carrying an imitation firearm, projectile, or ammunition to or from a class, in which he is duly enrolled, that requires the use of that imitation firearm, projectile, dangerous weapons, or ammunition, or for any student enrolled in participating in an activity requiring the use of the imitation firearm, projectile, or ammunition including but not limited to ROTC, band, or any other function under the authorization of the school.

(a) School officials shall notify all students and parents of the enactment of this ordinance with reasonable effort by posting information on the school's website, sending informative flyers home with students, and mailing information to known addresses of students addressed to their parent or guardian.

Section 78-4. Violations and penalties:

(a) Whoever violates the provisions of Section 78-3 under a first offense may be imprisoned for a period of up to six months and/or fined \$250.00.

(b) Whoever violates the provisions of Section 78-3 under a second or subsequent offense shall be imprisoned for up to six months and fined \$500.00.

(c) Upon the completion of conviction or closure of adjudication, all items seized and identified as imitation firearms, projectiles, dangerous weapons, or ammunition shall be destroyed and are not subject to being returned into society unless the items are deemed stolen from an uninvolved party prior to their use in the offense.

The ordinance was offered by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Brotherton. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 21st day of September, 2016.

RACHEL D. HAUSER  
PARISH SECRETARY

WANDA BENNETT, PRESIDENT  
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

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State law reference: R.S. 14:95.2, definitions under B(1)-(4), provisions on who this shall not apply to under C(1)-(8), R.S. 14:95.1.3 definition under B(1)

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**Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Rimmer, to declare adjudicated property described as Lot A, less tract described in Volume 1316-312, Country Place Subdivision, Unit No. 4-A, Haughton, LA, Tax Assessment No. 113401, as surplus, and authorize the advertising of bids for the sale of said property.**

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

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Mr. Ford presented Plan Change No. 2 on the FY2014-2015 LCDBG Sewer Improvements Project for sewer improvements in East Benton Subdivision, advising that the plan change results in an additional 317 contract days. This matter was tabled on August 17, 2016.

Mr. Lee Underwood, Balar Engineers & Surveyors, was present. Mr. Ford stated that the original project completion time was 120 days. He stated that ASB Utility Construction, LLC, low bidder, was awarded the contract to construct a sewer system in East Benton Subdivision, and the project was scheduled to be complete by January 12, 2016. He further stated that on December 9, 2015, power to the lift station was requested. Mr. Ford stated that it was determined at that time that Balar Engineers designed the lift station for this project based on three-phase power, but three-phase power is unavailable in that area.

Mr. Ford stated that in April of 2016, a plan change was submitted and approved by the Division of Administration for costs associated with installing three-phase power to the pumps. He stated that ASB Utility failed to request that time be stopped on the project due to the unavailability of three-phase power, and no additional contract days were requested in the plan change.

Mr. Ford stated that the Division of Administration has approved the 317 additional contract days. Mr. Skaggs asked if the project is currently in liquidated damages. Mr. Ford stated that the project has been in liquidated damages since January 12, 2016.

Mr. Jackson asked if proper records are being kept in the file to account for the cause of the additional 317 contract days and waiver of liquidated damages. Mr. Ford stated that he will request documentation from Balar Engineers that provides a detailed accounting of the cause of the requested 317 contract days. He stated that he will also provide a detailed accounting of the issues on this project.

Mr. Jackson stated that the extension of contract days and waiver of liquidated damages is a public right owned by the public, and a legal basis must be established in order to grant extensions and waivers.

**Motion was made by Mr. Skaggs, seconded by Mr. Rimmer, to approve Plan Change No. 2 on the FY2014-2015 LCDBG Sewer Improvements Project for sewer improvements in East Benton Subdivision, 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 21<sup>st</sup> day of September, 2016, that it does hereby approve Plan Change No. 2 on the FY2014-2015 LCDBG Sewer Improvements Project for sewer improvements in East Benton Subdivision.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Wanda Bennett, President, is hereby authorized to execute said Plan Change No. 2.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Skaggs, seconded by Mr. Rimmer. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 21<sup>st</sup> day of September, 2016.

RACHEL D. HAUSER  
PARISH SECRETARY

WANDA BENNETT, PRESIDENT  
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

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Mr. Sturdivant presented a request from The Crossing at Wemple Homeowners Association to lower the speed limit on all streets in the subdivision to 15 miles per hour.

**Motion was made by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Cook, to reduce the speed limit on all streets in The Crossing at Wemple Subdivision from 25 miles per hour to 15 miles per hour.**

The President called for public comment. Mr. Skaggs asked if all residents of The Crossing at Wemple have been notified of the requested speed limit reduction. Mr. Sturdivant stated that it is his understanding that the residents have been notified.

Mr. Avery requested documentation showing that a meeting of the homeowners association was held, who was present at the meeting, and proof that all residents were notified of the request to reduce the speed limit.

After further discussion, Mr. Avery withdrew his motion and Mr. Cook withdrew his second. **Motion was made by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Skaggs, to table the request from The Crossing at Wemple HOA, that the speed limit on all streets throughout all phases of The Crossing at Wemple Subdivision, be lowered to 15 miles per hour, to be considered at the October 5, 2016, regular meeting.**

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

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**Motion was made by Mr. Skaggs, seconded by Mr. Benton, to ratify approval of a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement by and among the Town of Benton and the Bossier Parish Police Jury, Owner of the Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District No. 1 of the Parish of Bossier, to provide treatment of sewerage in connection with the River Ridge Subdivision, and to authorize 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 21<sup>st</sup> day of September, 2016, that it does hereby approve the Cooperative Endeavor Agreement by and among the Town of Benton and the Bossier Parish Police Jury, Owner of the Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District No. 1 of the Parish of Bossier, to provide treatment of sewerage in connection with the River Ridge Subdivision.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Wanda Bennett, President, be and is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents in connection with said Cooperative Endeavor Agreement.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Skaggs, seconded by Mr. Benton. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 21<sup>st</sup> day of September, 2016.

RACHEL D. HAUSER  
PARISH SECRETARY

WANDA BENNETT, PRESIDENT  
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

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**Motion was made by Mr. Brotherton, seconded by Mr. Cochran, to adopt a resolution supporting the application for funding through the FY2017-2018 Local Government Assistance Program for the extension of a 6-inch water line for Village Water System approximately one-half mile along Adner Road, including a bore under Kansas City Southern Railroad, and to extend a 6-inch water line 500 feet along Lars Road.**

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 21<sup>st</sup> day of September, 2016, that it does hereby approve and support an application to the Local Government Assistance Program for funds in the amount of \$100,000 for the extension of a 6-inch water line for Village Water System in Bossier Parish approximately one-half mile along Adner Road, including a bore under Kansas City Southern Railroad, and for the extension of a 6-inch water line 500 feet along Lars Road to improve water pressure and provide adequate water in the event of an emergency.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Brotherton, seconded by Mr. Cochran. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 21<sup>st</sup> day of September, 2016.

RACHEL D. HAUSER  
PARISH SECRETARY

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BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

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Mr. Ford stated that he met with Coyle Engineering Co., Inc., and the developer of Faith Estates Subdivision regarding the condition of the roads in Faith Estates Subdivision, Unit No. 1. He stated that the inspection fee has been received as well as a two-year maintenance bond. Mr. Ford submitted a written request from the developer for the police jury to accept the streets and drainage in Faith Estates Subdivision, Unit No. 1, with the understanding that once Faith Estates Subdivision, Unit No. 2, is under construction, all repairs needed to roads in Unit No. 1 will be made at that time.

After further discussion, **motion was made by Mr. Cook, seconded by Mr. Benton, to accept the streets and drainage in Faith Estates Subdivision, Unit No. 1, into the parish road system for permanent maintenance.**

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

## ORDINANCE NO. 4628

WHEREAS, the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session convened on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of September, 2016, has received a request from Jonathan Edwards, LLC, that the parish accept into its system for permanent maintenance, the streets and drainage in Faith Estates Subdivision, Unit No. 1, Bossier Parish, Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, the said streets and drainage have been completed in accordance with the specifications of the Bossier Parish Police Jury; and

WHEREAS, a two-year maintenance bond has been executed in favor of the Bossier Parish Police Jury to guarantee against failure of said streets and drainage as to material and workmanship as required by Chapter 110, Section 110-201 of the Bossier Parish Code of Ordinance.

WHEREAS, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Bossier Parish Police Jury that it does accept the two-year maintenance bond of Jonathan Edwards, LLC, including labor and materials, for the above captioned streets and drainage.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Bossier Parish Police Jury does hereby accept into the parish maintenance system for continuous maintenance, streets and drainage located in Faith Estates Subdivision, Unit No. 1, Bossier Parish, Louisiana:

Daley Drive – 0.431 mile

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this ordinance be recorded in the Office of the Clerk of Court, Bossier Parish, Louisiana, together with the maintenance bond.

The Ordinance was offered by Mr. Cook, seconded by Mr. Benton. Upon vote, it was duly adopted on this 21<sup>st</sup> day of September, 2016.

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PARISH SECRETARY

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**Motion was made by Mr. Skaggs, seconded by Mr. Brotherton, to approve Bridge Replacement Permit Nos. 2016-10, 2016-11 and 2016-12, from the Bossier Parish Levee District, for the use of tank cars to replace bridges on Swan Lake Road at Willow Chute and Flat River, and on Smith Road at Flat River, and to authorize the President to execute said permits.**

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 21<sup>st</sup> day of September, 2016, that it does hereby approve Bridge Replacement Permit Nos. 2016-10, 2016-11 and 2016-12, from the Bossier Parish Levee District, for the use of tank cars to replace bridges on Swan Lake Road at Willow Chute and Flat River, and on Smith Road at Flat River.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Wanda Bennett, President, is hereby authorized to execute said permits.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Skaggs, seconded by Mr. Brotherton. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 21<sup>st</sup> day of September, 2016.

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Mr. Ford presented Change Order No. 1 on Miscellaneous Drainage Improvements Project No. 2016-468, advising that the plan change results in an additional cost of \$5,445.50. He stated that a drainage pipe located on Princeton Road is reversed and needs to be corrected. He further stated that a portion of Princeton Road has been washed out due to the recent flood event, and the cost for repairs will be submitted to FEMA for reimbursement.

**Motion was made by Mr. Cook, seconded by Mr. Benton, to approve Plan Change No. 1 on Miscellaneous Drainage Improvements Project No. 2016-468, 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 21<sup>st</sup> day of September, 2016, that it does hereby approve Plan Change No. 1 on Miscellaneous Drainage Improvements Project No. 2016-468.

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

The resolution was offered by Mr. Cook, seconded by Mr. Benton. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 21<sup>st</sup> day of September, 2016.

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Mr. Altimus presented a request from Pine Country Education Center, Minden, LA, which is an extension of the LSU Fire Training Center, for assistance with repairs to roads at the fire training center in Minden, LA. He stated that the total cost for repairs is approximately \$38,000.00, which includes labor, equipment and material costs. He stated that this matter will be placed on the agenda for further consideration in the near future.

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Mr. Altimus presented plans for the proposed northern extension of Arthur Ray Teague Parkway.

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

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Mr. Jackson expressed appreciation to the jurors who attended the meeting with Governor John Bel Edwards. He stated that Governor Edward's announcement regarding the overpass into Barksdale Air Force Base is great news for the Bossier Parish area.

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Finance Committee Meeting – September 21, 2016, 1:00 p.m.

The Finance Committee of the Bossier Parish Police Jury met on this 21<sup>st</sup> day of September, 2016, at 1:00 p.m., in the Police Jury Meeting Room, Bossier Parish Courthouse, Benton, Louisiana, with Mr. Hammack being absent.

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Mr. Ken Latin, Sci-Port Discovery Center, requested a budget appropriation of \$10,000 for the year 2017 for Sci-Port, advising that if approved, the requested funding will be used to allow Bossier Parish citizens residing outside the corporate limits of the City of Bossier City to visit the facility at a reduced admission rate on the first Wednesday of each month. He stated that on "Wonderful Wednesday", residents of Bossier City pay a reduced admission fee of \$3.00 to visit Sci-Port, advising that the regular admission fee is currently \$13.00. Mr. Latin stated that residents living outside the City of Bossier City also expect to pay the same reduced admission fee of \$3.00, and are upset when told they do not qualify for the reduced rate. He stated that Sci-Port often allows Bossier Parish residents to enter at the reduced admission fee.

Mr. Latin stated that Desoto Parish provides funding each year to allow their residents to visit the facility free of charge on the first weekend of each month. Mr. Latin stated that the requested appropriation of \$10,000.00 can be made in installments.

Mr. Latin stated that a Power of Play Museum for children is opening in the near future.

The request will be considered during budget proceedings.

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Ms. Shonda Houston-Dotie and Ms. Renita Mickle, Volunteers for Youth Justice, were present. Ms. Dotie expressed appreciation to the police jury for its continued support, and requested that the jury consider a budget appropriation in the amount of \$45,000.00 to the Volunteers for Youth Justice Bossier JumpStart program for the year 2017.

Ms. Dotie stated that the Bossier JumpStart Program is for youth who have been referred through the court system. She stated that the youth are being diverted to this program so that they will not go through the regular court system and have a criminal record.

Ms. Dotie stated that office space for Ms. Mickle is provided by the Bossier City Court, the Bossier Parish School Board provides classrooms and security for the classrooms is provided by the Bossier City Police Department.

Ms. Dotie presented the number of youth who participated in the Stamp Out Shoplifting and Power of Choice programs. She stated that a survey was conducted with the youth who participated in these programs, and 85 percent stated that they were confident they would not disobey the law again after attending these programs.

The request will be considered during budget proceedings.

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Ms. Kirsten Howard, Director of Development for Robinson's Rescue, requested a budget appropriation of \$5,000.00 for the year 2017. She stated that the animal population in Bossier Parish is a major problem. She stated that an unaltered female cat can produce three litters per year, with an average litter size ranging from four to six kittens. She further stated that a single unspayed female cat and her offspring can produce more than 66,000 cats over a six year period of time. Ms. Howard stated that each time Robinson's Rescue spays one female cat they are saving the parish an estimated \$8 million in future expenses and preventing thousands of animals from overpopulating the community.

Ms. Howard stated that approximately 83 percent of animals taken into animal control in 2012 were euthanized. She stated that the animals were not euthanized because they were unhealthy, but because there is no room in the shelters for them.

Ms. Howard stated that Robinson's Rescue is a low cost spay/neuter organization. She stated that Subsidized Spay/Neuter Incentive Program, SSNIP, a limited funding program, is available to Bossier Parish residents, as well as Caddo, Desoto, Natchitoches, Sabine and Webster Parishes, and is a first come first serve program.

Ms. Howard stated that with the requested appropriation, SSNIP can be created for low income Bossier Parish Residents only. She stated that Caddo Parish appropriates funds for SSNIP, and has seen an incredible decrease in the number of homeless animals in their communities, shelter intake, and euthanasia of healthy, adoptable dogs and cats.

The request will be considered during budget proceedings.

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Ms. Tamara Crane, Bossier Council on Aging, requested a budget appropriation of \$115,000.00 for the year 2017. She stated that the police jury recently asked about charging seniors for the services provided by Bossier Council on Aging. She stated the Bossier Council on Aging cannot charge for federal and state funded services they provide, but can request a contribution by the seniors. Ms. Crane stated that the Caddo Council on Aging offers a service wherein if the senior pays the full cost amount, not just the suggested contribution, services to that senior will begin immediately and the senior is not required to be on a waiting list. She stated that she will be meeting with representatives of the Caddo Council on Aging to further discuss this program.

Ms. Crane provided additional information on all services provided by the Bossier Council on Aging. She stated that transportation is provided throughout Bossier Parish for medical appointments for seniors, and that transportation for grocery shopping is limited. She further stated that they provide transportation to the Bossier City and Plain Dealing sites, but no transportation is available to the Benton site at this time. Ms. Crane stated that grant funds have been requested to purchase a bus to allow transportation to the Benton site.

The request will be considered during budget proceedings.

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**Motion was made by Mr. Shewmake, seconded by Mr. Cochran, to approve payment of accounts payable invoices in the amount of \$362.00 for the Johnny Gray Jones Youth Shelter for the month of August, 2016, as follows:**

Area Wide \$240.00  
Cannon Services, Inc. \$122.00

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

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**Motion was made by Mr. Brotherton, seconded by Mr. Benton, to approve payment of all other accounts payable invoices for the month of August, 2016.**

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

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The Finance Committee meeting was adjourned by the Chairman.

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There being no further business to come before the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 21<sup>st</sup> day of September, 2016, the meeting was adjourned by the President at 4:25 p.m.

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