

BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY
BENTON, LOUISIANA
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The Bossier Parish Police Jury met in regular and legal session on the 5th day of April, 2017, at 2:00 p.m., in the Police Jury Meeting Room, Bossier Parish Courthouse, Benton, Louisiana. The President, Mr. Bob Brotherton, called the meeting to order. The invocation was given by Mr. Tom Salzer, and the pledge of allegiance was led by Mr. Doug Rimmer. 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. Mac Plummer
Mr. Glenn Benton	Mr. Doug Rimmer
Mr. Bob Brotherton	Mr. Tom Salzer
Mr. Jimmy Cochran	Mr. Fred Shewmake
Mr. Sonny Cook	Mr. Jack Skaggs

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

Mr. Alan Andersen, 1400 Wafer Road, stated that Wicker Construction, Inc., installed a sewer line between his property and his neighbor. He presented photographs of the trees that were cut down by Wicker Construction between the properties, and stated that the trees have not been removed.

Mr. Andersen stated that he has spoken with Mr. Ford and Mr. Benton regarding this matter, and it is his understanding that the parish's position is that they are not responsible for removing the trees. Mr. Benton stated that it appears that Wicker Construction did cut down trees that were not located inside the parish right-of-way. He stated that the tree stumps are prohibiting Mr. Andersen from mowing and maintaining this portion of his yard.

Mr. Benton stated that Wicker Construction was contracted by the parish for a project in this area. Mr. Jackson asked if there has been any contact with Wicker Construction regarding this matter. Mr. Ford stated that approximately one year ago, trees and stumps were removed that were located within the parish's 15-foot right-of-way. He stated that the parish cannot access private property to remove any trees or stumps that may remain on Mr. Andersen's property.

Mr. Andersen stated that he did not authorize Wicker Construction to be on his property or cut any trees. Mr. Ford stated that the project in which Wicker Construction was contracted to do beside Mr. Andersen's property is now complete. Mr. Andersen stated that he assumed Wicker Construction would return and remove all the debris that was left on his property.

Mr. Jackson requested that Mr. Andersen provide him with all photographs so that he can further review this matter. Mr. Jackson asked Mr. Andersen if the parish is unable to get Wicker Construction to remove the debris and stumps, would he be willing to allow the parish temporary access to remove the debris and stumps. Mr. Andersen stated that he would allow the parish temporary access to remove the debris and stumps.

Mr. Andersen stated that Wicker Construction also knocked down his property boundary markers and he is unsure where the markers were located. Mr. Ford stated that the parish will be taking care of replacing the boundary markers.

Mr. Andersen stated that a large amount of debris from drainage has caused damage to his culvert. He stated that his driveway is now sagging due to the damaged culvert. Mr. Ford stated that Mr. Andersen has a concrete drive over a metal culvert, and the culvert has rusted. He stated that due to the 2015 flood event, the Wafer Road Bridge located near Mr. Andersen's property had to be replaced with tank cars. Mr. Ford stated that the 2016 flood event caused additional damage to Mr. Andersen's driveway.

Mr. Jackson asked if the damage to Mr. Andersen's driveway was included in the flood damage costs submitted in the claim to the Federal Emergency Management Agency. Mr. Ford stated that the driveway is private, and is unsure if it would qualify for FEMA funds.

Mr. Benton stated that gravel washed into Mr. Andersen's culvert, stopping up the culvert, and in turn, caused dirt to erode beneath his driveway.

Mr. Ford stated that in order to properly repair the driveway, the concrete driveway would need to be removed, a new culvert installed and the concrete driveway replaced. Mr. Jackson requested that he be provided with additional information in this matter for further review.

Ms. Michelle Dulaney requested to address the police jury. **Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Rimmer, to amend the agenda to add Ms. Michelle Dulaney as a visitor.**

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

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

Ms. Dulaney stated that she is interested in opening a boarding facility for dogs and cats in Benton, LA. She stated that the property she is interested in purchasing is a 17-acre tract of land located at the end of Silver Leaf Drive which is currently zoned Residence-Agriculture, but a Light Industry zoning classification is required for a kenneling facility in the Benton-Parish Metropolitan Planning Commission. She further stated that she intends to live on the property where the kenneling facility would be located, and does not wish for the property to be rezoned as Light Industry.

Ms. Carlotta Askew-Brown, Benton-Parish MPC, stated that the only alternative for Ms. Dulaney if she purchased this property is to request a rezoning classification of the 17-acre tract from R-A, Residence-Agriculture

District, to I-1, Light Industry District, to allow for a kenneling facility. She stated that Bossier-City Parish MPC regulations allow kenneling in R-A zoned areas as a conditional use. Ms. Askew-Brown stated that Ms. Dulaney is requesting that the police jury consider amending the Benton-Parish MPC zoning regulations to allow kenneling as a conditional use in R-A zoned areas.

Ms. Askew-Brown stated that it is not recommended that this tract of land be rezoned to an I-1 zoning classification, and recommended that the Benton-Parish MPC regulations be amended to allow for a conditional use for kenneling in R-A zoned areas. She stated that amending the Benton-Parish MPC zoning regulations would take approximately three to four months. She further stated that a public hearing would be required, and notice of the public hearing would be provided to all residences living within a certain distance of the property notifying them of a conditional use request.

Mr. Jackson recommended that the Benton-Parish MPC begin the process for amending the zoning regulations, and that Ms. Dulaney consider an option to purchase the property subject to reclassification of the property.

Ms. Hauser announced the public hearing to hear any and all objections to the creation of Sewerage District No. 2, to the boundaries thereof and to the inclusion of the property proposed to be included in the Sewerage District No. 2, and after disposing of all objections, if there be any, adopt an ordinance creating the Sewerage District No. 2, fixing the boundaries thereof, and giving said District a numerical designation and name; Sewerage District No. 2 of the Parish of Bossier, State of Louisiana.

There being no opposition, **motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Avery, to adopt an ordinance creating the Sewerage District No. 2, fixing the boundaries thereof, and giving said District a numerical designation and name; Sewerage District No. 2 of the Parish of Bossier, State of Louisiana.**

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

The following ordinance was offered by Mr. Benton, and seconded by Mr. Avery:

ORDINANCE NO. 4642

An ordinance creating Sewerage District No. 2 of the Parish of Bossier, State of Louisiana; describing and defining the boundaries thereof; providing for the publication of said ordinance; and providing for other matters in connection therewith.

WHEREAS, the Parish of Bossier, State of Louisiana (the "Parish"), through its governing authority, the Police Jury of said Parish (the "Police Jury"), desires to create a sewerage district in the manner provided by Sub-Part A, Part I, Chapter 9, Title 33 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950 (the "Act"), and other constitutional and statutory authority supplemental thereto, said Sewerage District to be outside the corporate limits of any municipality; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Act, the Police Jury adopted a resolution on March 1, 2017, ordering notice of its intention (the "Notice of Intention") to create Sewerage District No. 2 of the Parish of Bossier, State of Louisiana (the "Sewerage District"); and

WHEREAS, the Notice of Intention was published once a week for three successive weeks in the official journal of the Police Jury as required by the Act; and

WHEREAS, as required by the Act, the Notice of Intention set forth that the Police Jury would meet on this date and proceed to create the Sewerage District; and

WHEREAS, the Police Jury did, on this date, meet in open and public session, at which meeting no objections were received to the creation of the Sewerage District;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Police Jury of the Parish of Bossier, State of Louisiana, acting as the governing authority of said Parish, that:

SECTION 1. Under and by virtue of the authority conferred by the Act, a sewerage district is hereby created embracing all of that territory within the following described boundaries:

Beginning at the intersection of the south section line of Sect. 23, T 20 N, R 14 W with the Bossier/Caddo Parish Line (Point of Beginning); commence east along the south section lines of Sect's. 23 & 24, T 20 N, R 14 W and Sect. 19, T 20 N, R 13 W, to the west corporate limits of the Town of Benton; thence southerly along the west corporate limits of the Town of Benton to the south corporate limits of the Town of Benton; thence easterly along the south corporate limits of the Town of Benton to the east corporate limits of the Town of Benton; thence northerly along the east corporate limits of the Town of Benton to the intersection with La. Hwy. 162; thence easterly along La. Hwy. 162 to the intersection with La. Hwy. 157; thence southerly along La. Hwy. 157 to the southwest corner of Sect. 33, T 19 N, R 11 W; thence east along the south section lines of Sect's. 33, 34, 35 and 36, T 19 N, R 11 W to the Bossier/Webster Parish Line; thence northerly along the Bossier/Webster Parish Line to the northeast corner of Sect. 01, T 20 N, R 11 W; thence westerly along the north boundary of said Sect. 01 and a portion of Sect. 02, T 20 N, R 11 W (said north boundary of Sect. 01 and a portion of Sect. 02 being the common boundary of Bossier and Webster Parish) to the Bodcau Bayou; thence northerly along Bodcau Bayou and the common boundary of Bossier and Webster Parish to La. Hwy. 2; thence westerly along said La. Hwy. 2 to the common boundary line of Bossier and Caddo Parishes; thence southerly along the common boundary of Bossier and Caddo Parishes to the Point of Beginning, less and except any area within the corporate limits of the Town of Benton and less and except any area within the corporate limits of the Town of Plain Dealing.

SECTION 2. The said Sewerage District shall be known and is hereby designated as "Sewerage District No. 2 of the Parish of Bossier, State of Louisiana", and as thus created shall constitute a political subdivision of the State of Louisiana, and shall have all the powers and privileges granted by the constitution and statutes of this State to such subdivisions, including the authority to incur debt, to issue bonds and to levy taxes and assessments.

SECTION 3. In accordance with the provisions of Section 3883 of Title 33 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950 (R.S. 33:3883), notice of the formation of the Sewerage District shall be published one time in a newspaper published in the Parish.

SECTION 4. The domicile of the Sewerage District is hereby designated as 2142 Highway 2, Plain Dealing, Louisiana.

SECTION 5. The Police Jury hereby appoints Mark Coutee, Michael Lyles, and Renee McKinney as the Board of Supervisors of the Sewerage District (the "Board of Supervisors"), the foregoing individuals being property taxpayers residing within the Sewerage District.

SECTION 6. The Board of Supervisors herein appointed shall meet on Wednesday, April 19, 2017, at one o'clock (1:00) p.m., at the Police Jury Meeting Room, Bossier Parish Courthouse, in Benton, Louisiana, to take office and organize such Board of Supervisors as the governing authority of the Sewerage District, in the manner required by law.

SECTION 7. This Ordinance shall be effective upon publication in the official journal of the Parish.

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

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

And the ordinance was adopted on this, the 5th day of April, 2017.

RACHEL D. HAUSER
PARISH SECRETARY

BOB BROTHERTON, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

NOTICE OF FORMATION

Pursuant to the provisions of an ordinance adopted by the Police Jury of the Parish of Bossier, State of Louisiana, on April 5, 2017, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN in accordance with the provisions of Part I, Chapter 9, Title 33 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended (the "Act"), and other constitutional and statutory authority, of the formation and creation of Sewerage District No. 2 of the Parish of Bossier, State of Louisiana (the "District"), which District comprises and embraces all of that territory contained within the following described boundaries:

SEWERAGE DISTRICT NO. 2

Beginning at the intersection of the south section line of Sect. 23, T 20 N, R 14 W with the Bossier/Caddo Parish Line (Point of Beginning); commence east along the south section lines of Sect's. 23 & 24, T 20 N, R 14 W and Sect. 19, T 20 N, R 13 W, to the west corporate limits of the Town of Benton; thence southerly along the west corporate limits of the Town of Benton to the south corporate limits of the Town of Benton; thence easterly along the south corporate limits of the Town of Benton to the east corporate limits of the Town of Benton; thence northerly along the east corporate limits of the Town of Benton to the intersection with La. Hwy. 162; thence easterly along La. Hwy. 162 to the intersection with La. Hwy. 157; thence southerly along La. Hwy. 157 to the southwest corner of Sect. 33, T 19 N, R 11 W; thence east along the south section lines of Sect's. 33, 34, 35 and 36, T 19 N, R 11 W to the Bossier/Webster Parish Line; thence northerly along the Bossier/Webster Parish Line to the northeast corner of Sect. 01, T 20 N, R 11 W; thence westerly along the north boundary of said Sect. 01 and a portion of Sect. 02, T 20 N, R 11 W (said north boundary of Sect. 01 and a portion of Sect. 02 being the common boundary of Bossier and Webster Parish) to the Bodcau Bayou; thence northerly along Bodcau Bayou and the common boundary of Bossier and Webster Parish to La. Hwy. 2; thence westerly along said La. Hwy. 2 to the common boundary line of Bossier and Caddo Parishes; thence southerly along the common boundary of Bossier and Caddo Parishes to the Point of Beginning, less and except any area within the corporate limits of the Town of Benton and less and except any area within the corporate limits of the Town of Plain Dealing.

THUS DONE AND SIGNED at Benton, Louisiana, on this, the 5th day of April, 2017.

/s/ Bob Brotherton
President

ATTEST:

/s/ Rachel D. Hauser
Secretary

Motion was made by Mr. Skaggs, seconded by Mr. Avery, to schedule a public hearing on May 4, 2017, to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development of Miller Estates Subdivision, located in Section 11, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA.

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

Motion was made by Mr. Skaggs, seconded by Mr. Avery, to schedule a public hearing on May 4, 2017, to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development of Willow Lake Subdivision, Unit No. 6, 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.**

Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Rimmer, to schedule a public hearing on May 4, 2017, to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development of the Logan Partition Survey Subdivision, located in Section 9, Township 18 North, Range 12 West, Bossier Parish, LA.

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

Motion was made by Mr. Cook, seconded by Mr. Avery, to schedule a public hearing on May 4, 2017, to consider approval of the Grisham Family Partition, located in Section 13, 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.**

Mr. Glenn Benton, Chairman of the Road/Subdivision Regulations Committee, reported on a meeting of that committee, advising that he, Ms. Bennett, Mr. Cook, Mr. Plummer, Mr. Rimmer, and Mr. Shewmake were present. He stated that Ms. Carlotta Askew-Brown, Mr. Pat Culverhouse, Mr. Ford, Mr. Joey French, Mr. Nguyen Kha, and Mr. Sam Marsiglia were also present. Other jurors present were Mr. Avery, Mr. Brotherton, Mr. Darby, and Mr. Salzer.

Mr. Sam Marsiglia, Bossier City-Parish MPC, stated that a future land use map is used as a guide for zoning decisions which has been in place since the adoption of a comprehensive plan in 2004. He stated that the map breaks down the MPC jurisdiction in the unincorporated areas into two different categories, with one being a village development area, which is defined as an urban type development with higher standards of development. Mr. Marsiglia stated that the remainder of the unincorporated area is categorized as sensitive development areas, which allows a multitude of different types of zoning classifications with more flexibility of large lots without typical rural type subdivisions requirements.

Mr. Marsiglia stated that the village development area does not allow for the flexibility of large lots. He stated that a request has been received to develop property located in the village development area into two and one-half (2 ½) and three (3)-acre lots which would require sidewalks, streetlights and underground drainage as per the village development area requirements. Mr. Marsiglia recommended that options be included in the village development area for a rural type subdivision of multiple acres. He stated that financially, underground drainage may not be feasible in a rural type subdivision in the village development area.

Mr. Marsiglia stated that it is not recommended that individual tracts of land be pulled from the comprehensive plan areas for development, but amend the subdivision regulations to allow options for certain types of development in the village development area.

Mr. Benton stated that the Road/Subdivision Regulations Committee recommends that Mr. Marsiglia move forward with drafting an amendment to the MPC regulations concerning additional options for development in village development areas.

Mr. Benton stated that the committee also discussed the possible use of tiny homes as an additional residence on property to care for elderly sick parents. Mr. Marsiglia stated that the Bossier City-Parish MPC has received two requests to place tiny homes on properties with an existing residence to allow a caretaker to reside on the property to care for elderly sick parents. He stated that an ordinance is in place that allows for small cottages to be constructed in the rear yards of lots at least 12,000 square feet in size.

Mr. Marsiglia stated that tiny homes are on wheels and a frame, but are not classified as a manufactured home. He stated that some are classified as a recreational vehicle (RV) or tiny home. He further stated that there are no regulations in place which address tiny homes on wheels to be used in an emergency situation.

Mr. Benton stated that the Road/Subdivision Regulations Committee recommends that requests for placement of a tiny home as an additional residence on property for a caretaker to care for elderly sick parents in subdivisions be handled on an individual basis. He stated that public hearings would be required for each request, and notification of the public hearing would be sent to all residents in the subdivision. Mr. Marsiglia stated that these requests would be handled directly by the police jury and that the MPC zoning board would not handle these requests. Mr. Benton stated that the tiny homes will need to meet certain requirements prior to any approval to be placed on the property as a second residence for a caretaker.

Mr. Benton stated that the Road/Subdivision Regulations Committee discussed a request for a parking lot on a tract of land off Highway 527. Mr. Marsiglia stated that conditional use approvals are a useful tool to address certain requests in order to prevent property from being rezoned.

Mr. Marsiglia stated that a request will be going before the MPC zoning board to consider a conditional use approval on an approximate four to five-acre tract of land off Highway 527 for a parking lot for oil and gas field vehicles. He stated that a Light Industry District zoning is required for this type of use on a tract of land, but it is not recommended that pockets of zoning for Light Industry District be scattered across the parish.

Mr. Marsiglia stated that it is important to be sensitive and business friendly to oil and gas businesses and recommended that an ordinance be considered for a conditional use approval to allow lighter uses, not including construction of buildings, in certain zoned areas for oil and gas vehicle parking.

Mr. Cochran expressed concern regarding the type of concrete to be used for a parking lot, and the potential for activity throughout the night which could be an issue for any homes located in the vicinity of the parking lot. Mr. Marsiglia stated that SB2 would be used for the parking lot and a conditional use approval would allow any legal conditions to be placed on the property to protect surrounding property owners. Mr. Benton stated that a public hearing for a conditional use would be required to allow all surrounding property owners to present any objections or concerns they may have.

Mr. Ford stated that conditional use approvals do not come before the police jury at this time, and if the police jurors desire to hear all conditional use approvals, the ordinance would need to stipulate that approval by the police jury is required. Mr. Rimmer requested that police jury approval be required for conditional use approvals.

After further discussion, **motion was made by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Cochran, to authorize Mr. Sam Marsiglia to prepare an ordinance allowing conditional uses for the unincorporated area within five miles of the City of Bossier City to allow for certain uses, with the requirement of public hearings before the Bossier Parish Police Jury for conditional use requests.**

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

Motion was made by Mr. Skaggs, seconded by Mr. Cochran, to appoint Mr. Jason McKinney, to the Bossier City-Parish Metropolitan Planning Commission Board of Adjustments, to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Mr. Tom Salzer, term to expire September 1, 2019.

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. Rimmer, to ratify adoption of a resolution of support for major transportation improvements along the I-20 corridor, Amtrak and high-speed passenger and freight services in the Shreveport/Bossier area.

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

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Bossier Parish (the "Parish") recognizes the need for an enhanced transportation system, including highways, air, railroads and waterways, and the need for cooperation at all levels of government to achieve these goals of improved transportation, and

WHEREAS, the capacity of vehicular travel on Interstate-20 has not been expanded in more than fifty years, despite major increases in populations served by this major east-west artery, and

WHEREAS, working with counties and parishes from Dallas/Fort Worth to Vicksburg, the Ark-La-Tex Corridor Council has obtained Memoranda of Understanding between the affected Councils of Governments in Texas and Louisiana in order to pledge their mutual support to establish long-distance passenger rail service between Fort Worth, Texas and Atlanta, Georgia, and points in between, and

WHEREAS, the Southern Rail Commission, in March of 2014, also passed a resolution supporting the Ark-La-Tex Corridor Council's proposed Interstate 20 (I-20) Corridor to connect with Meridian, Mississippi, which would represent the critical link for passenger rail service from Dallas/Fort Worth through northern Louisiana to Atlanta, along the existing right of way of the host railroads, and

WHEREAS, Amtrak, which would operate passenger rail service along the I-20 route, recently determined that the I-20 Corridor route is economically viable, and would require no annual operating subsidy, but would necessitate a one-time capital expenditure for capacity expansion of the host railroad, and

WHEREAS, Governor John Bel Edwards last year designated the I-20 Corridor as one of his administration's top two rail priorities for the State of Louisiana, and

WHEREAS, in 2013, more than forty-three cities and parishes across northern Louisiana registered their support for this passenger rail service which would provide for twice daily frequencies between Meridian and Fort Worth, and

WHEREAS, Governor Phil Bryant, and U.S. Senators Thad Cochran and Roger Wicker, all of neighboring Mississippi, have also registered their support for the I-20 Corridor, and

WHEREAS, Governor Edwards and Governor Bryant are scheduled to meet in the coming weeks in order to discuss potential strategies and methods of mutual cooperation between their respective states and Texas in order to re-establish this passenger rail route more than fifty years after it was discontinued,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury that Bossier Parish strongly endorses the establishment of the I-20 Corridor for long-distance passenger rail service, and urges Governor Edwards and Amtrak President Wick Moorman to move with all deliberate speed to establish this transportation alternative for the State of Louisiana, and residents across the south.

RACHEL D. HAUSER
PARISH SECRETARY

BOB BROTHERTON, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Motion was made by Mr. Cook, seconded by Mr. Avery, to declare adjudicated property described as Lots 96, 97 and 98, Carstarphen Heights Subdivision, Tax Assessment No. 106390, 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.**

Motion was made by Mr. Shewmake, seconded by Mr. Avery, to approve the reappointment of Mr. Charles Varnell to the Bossier Parish Communications District No. 1 Board of Directors for a four-year term, term to expire March 1, 2021.

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

Mr. Marsiglia requested that consideration of an appointment to the Benton-Parish MPC Board of Appeals, to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Mr. Doyle Adams be tabled.

Motion was made by Mr. Rimmer, seconded by Mr. Darby, to table consideration of an appointment to the Benton-Parish MPC Board of Appeals, to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Mr. Doyle Adams, to be considered at the April 19, 2017, regular meeting.

Votes were cast and the motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Mr. Darby, seconded by Mr. Cook, to adopt a Proclamation proclaiming the month of April, 2017, as Fair Housing Month in Bossier Parish.

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

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the 49th Anniversary of the National Fair Housing Law, Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, during the month of April, is an occasion for all Americans – individually and collectively – to rededicate themselves to the principle of freedom from housing discrimination whenever it exists; and

WHEREAS, this law guarantees for each citizen the critical, personal element of freely choosing a home; and

WHEREAS, a fair housing law has been passed by the State of Louisiana, and implementation of the law requires the positive commitment, involvement, and support of each of our citizens; and

WHEREAS, the departments and agencies of the State of Louisiana are to provide leadership in the effort to make fair housing not just an idea, but an ideal for all our citizens; and

WHEREAS, barriers that diminish the rights and limit the options of any citizen to freely choose a home will ultimately diminish the rights and limit the option of all.

NOW, THEREFORE, We, The Bossier Parish Police Jury, do hereby proclaim the month of April, 2017, as

FAIR HOUSING MONTH

in the Parish of Bossier, and do hereby encourage all citizens to abide by the letter of spirit of the Fair Housing Law, and ask the citizens of this Parish to join in reaffirming the obligation and commitment to fair housing opportunities for all.

The proclamation was offered by Mr. Darby, seconded by Mr. Cook. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 5th day of April, 2017.

RACHEL D. HAUSER
PARISH SECRETARY

BOB BROTHERTON, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Motion was made by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Benton, to adopt a Proclamation proclaiming the week of May 7-13, 2017, as Women’s Lung Health Week.

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

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, every eight minutes, one woman in the U.S. loses her battle with lung cancer; and

WHEREAS, lung cancer is the number one cancer killer of women and men in the U.S.; and

WHEREAS, advocacy and increased awareness will result in screening and early detection for people with lung cancer that will ultimately save lives; and

WHEREAS, public support for research funding will result in better treatment and early detection methods that will ultimately save lives; and

WHEREAS, LUNG FORCE is a national initiative led by the American Lung Association, to fight against lung cancer.

NOW, THEREFORE, We, The Bossier Parish Police Jury, do hereby proclaim the week of May 7 – May 13, 2017, as

WOMEN’S LUNG HEALTH WEEK

in the Parish of Bossier and encourages all residents of Bossier Parish to learn about lung cancer, risk factors and screening options.

The proclamation was offered by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Benton. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 5th day of April, 2017.

RACHEL D. HAUSER
PARISH SECRETARY

BOB BROTHERTON, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Motion was made by Mr. Salzer, seconded by Mr. Darby, to adopt a proclamation proclaiming the week of April 17 – 22, 2017, as National Community Development Week in Bossier Parish.

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

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Bossier Parish has been a participant in the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program which funds public infrastructure, economic development, and housing programs in this community; and

WHEREAS, in this community and communities throughout the nation, thirty five years of Community Development Block Grant Program funding has developed a strong relationship between this local government and its residents, principally those of low-to-moderate income; and

WHEREAS, this community recognizes that the Community Development Block Grant Program is a partnership of federal, state, and local government and community and business efforts, and that the services funded by the CDBG Program relies heavily on the dedication and good will of our combined efforts.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that during National Community Development Week 2017, this community will give special thanks and recognition to all participants whose hard work and devotion to the neighborhoods and their low-and moderate-income residents helps ensure the quality and effectiveness of the Community Development Block Grant Program; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this community, along with the service providers and others whose names are appended to this resolution, hereby petition the U.S. Congress and Administration to recognize the outstanding work being done locally and nationally by the Community Development Block Grant Program, and of its vital importance to the community and to the people who live in its lower income neighborhoods; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be conveyed to the appropriate elected and appointed officials of the federal government and that this community’s name be added to the roll of those committed to

the preservation and full funding of the Community Development Block Grant Program and maintenance of its essential features over the course of the next session of Congress.

NOW, THEREFORE, We, The Bossier Parish Police Jury, do hereby proclaim the week of April 17 – 22, 2017, as

NATIONAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT WEEK

in the Parish of Bossier and urge all citizens to join us in recognizing the Louisiana Community Development Block Grant program and the important role it plays in our community.

The proclamation was offered by Mr. Salzer, seconded by Mr. Darby. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 5th day of April, 2017.

RACHEL D. HAUSER
PARISH SECRETARY

BOB BROTHERTON, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Motion was made by Mr. Shewmake, seconded by Mr. Salzer, to authorize the Parish Attorney to pursue legal proceedings in the matter of the improper discharge of sewer effluent on property owned by Mia Rollins and Boaz Tax Sale Properties, LLC, at 624 Red Chute Lane, Haughton, 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. Cochran, to adopt an ordinance authorizing the Parish of Bossier to enter into a Local Services Agreement with the City of Bossier City in connection with the East Texas Street Gravity Main Repairs project, and to authorize the Parish Administrator to execute any and all documents in connection with said agreement.

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

ORDINANCE NO. 4643

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE PARISH OF BOSSIER TO ENTER INTO A LOCAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF BOSSIER CITY AND AUTHORIZING THE PARISH ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE ANY DOCUMENTS IN FURTHERANCE THEREOF.

WHEREAS, the Parish of Bossier and the City of Bossier City mutually benefit from the development of infrastructure which enhances existing businesses and encourages the development of new business entities in both the Parish of Bossier and the City of Bossier City; and

WHEREAS, the Parish of Bossier and the City of Bossier City have engaged in joint endeavors regarding the development of industrial parks, juvenile detention facilities, jail operations, research parks, street, highway or road projects, zoning master plans and a uniform development code of which benefits the citizens of Bossier Parish and the City of Bossier City; and

WHEREAS, a Local Services Agreement between the Parish of Bossier and the City of Bossier City will facilitate intergovernmental functions to provide greater economy and efficiency in the operation of local services; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of the Parish of Bossier and the City of Bossier City will benefit by the development created by improving traffic across the parish including the City of Bossier City, by improving streets and roads including Bellevue Road Improvement Project, Arthur Ray Teague Parkway Extension Project, Sligo Road Widening, Rebouche Road Improvement, Arthur Ray Teague Parkway Extension North and South including the Traffic Street Widening Project, Texas Street Improvement Project (Highway 80), Hamilton Road Improvement Project with overpass over Union Pacific Railroad, Viking Drive Improvement, Airline Drive Underpass at KCS Crossing, Stockwell Road, Shed Road Widening Project, Swan Lake Road Widening Project, Old Minden Road Extension Project, Swan Lake Realignment Project, Wemple Road Improvements, North Bossier Shared Use Trail (S. P. No. 744-08-0005), Green Road, Tall Timbers Lateral Improvements – Phase 3, Statewide Flood Control (S. P. No. 576-08-0001)(333), Caplis Sligo Road Bridge over Flat River (S. P. No. 713-08-0110), Parks Road Realignment, Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District No. 1 of the Parish of Bossier, State of Louisiana, Palmetto Road Improvement, Poole Road Bridge Replacement, Wastewater Treatment Facilities Improvements, Wastewater Collection System Contract No. 1, Wastewater Collection System Contract No. 2, Wastewater Collection System Contract No. 3, Shared Use Trail, Tall Timbers Lateral Improvements (Tall Timbers-Phase 3), Palmetto Road Widening Phase 1, Eastwood Drainage Project-State Project No. 576-08-0005 (Statewide Flood Control Construction Program), East West Corridor Project-State Project No. 700-08-0130, North South Corridor-State Project No. 702-08-0129, Wafer Road-State Project No. 700-08-0132, I-69-State Project No. 736-99-1032, North Shared Use Trail-Phase 2 and 3, Sligo Road Extension South to La 527 and Bellevue Road Drainage and Roadway Improvement Projects, Public Infrastructure Improvements for Margaritaville Casino/River Colony Road Improvement Project, New Barksdale Air Force Base Entrance at Bodcau Station Road (Bossier Parish Project No. 2013-399), Kingston Road Improvements (LA 3 to Airline Drive), and Off System Bridge Project – Koran Doyline Road/Clarke Bayou Project No. H.009945, Industrial Drive Water Line Extension Project, the Northeast Waste Water Treatment Plant to the CIC Project, Viking Drive Widening Project between Swan Lake Road and Airline Drive, Parkway North, Miciotto Swan Lake Connection, Melrose, Wemple Road, Downtown Re-Envisioning Project, GOHSEP-Willow Chute Culverts, Bobby Byrd Drainage Improvements, East West Corridor, Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District No. 1 (North), and E. Texas Street Gravity Main Repairs, being joint projects of both entities; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury of Bossier Parish, Louisiana, in regular session convened, that the PARISH OF BOSSIER and the CITY OF BOSSIER CITY are joining together to plan, finance, construct, acquire and/or improve public projects, servitudes, rights of way, easements, streets, highways and roads within the Parish of Bossier and the City of Bossier City; to operate and maintain such public projects or improvements necessary or incidental thereto and to avail themselves of the method of acquisition of public projects, servitudes, rights of way, easements, streets, highways and roads within the Parish of Bossier and/or City of Bossier City,

specifically allowed in LSA-R.S. 33:1329, all for and on behalf of the residents of the Parish of Bossier and the City of Bossier City.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that the Parish of Bossier and/or the City of Bossier City shall have the right individually or jointly to acquire property pursuant to LSA-R.S. 33:1329 in furtherance of the Bellevue Road Improvement Project, Arthur Ray Teague Parkway Extension Project, Sligo Road Widening, Rebouche Road Improvement, Arthur Ray Teague Parkway Extension North and South including the Traffic Street Widening Project, Texas Street Improvement Project (Highway 80), Hamilton Road Improvement Project with overpass over Union Pacific Railroad, Viking Drive Improvement, Airline Drive Underpass at KCS Crossing, Stockwell Road, Shed Road Widening Project, Swan Lake Road Widening Project, Old Minden Road Extension Project, Swan Lake Realignment Project, Wemple Road Improvements, North Bossier Shared Use Trail (S. P. No. 744-08-0005), Green Road, Tall Timbers Lateral Improvements – Phase 3, Statewide Flood Control (S. P. No. 576-08-0001)(333), Caplis Sligo Road Bridge over Flat River (S. P. No. 713-08-0110), Parks Road Realignment, Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District No. 1 of the Parish of Bossier, State of Louisiana, Palmetto Road Improvement, Poole Road Bridge Replacement, Wastewater Treatment Facilities Improvements, Wastewater Collection System Contract No. 1, Wastewater Collection System Contract No. 2, Wastewater Collection System Contract No. 3, Shared Use Trail, Tall Timbers Lateral Improvements (Tall Timbers-Phase 3), Palmetto Road Widening Phase 1, Eastwood Drainage Project-State Project No. 576-08-0005 (Statewide Flood Control Construction Program), East West Corridor Project-State Project No. 700-08-0130, North South Corridor-State Project No. 702-08-0129, Wafer Road-State Project No. 700-08-0132, I-69-State Project No. 736-99-1032, North Shared Use Trail-Phase 2 and 3, Sligo Road Extension South to La 527 and Bellevue Road Drainage and Roadway Improvement Projects, Public Infrastructure Improvements for Margaritaville Casino/River Colony Road Improvement Project, New Barksdale Air Force Base Entrance at Bodcau Station Road (Bossier Parish Project No. 2013-399), Kingston Road Improvement (LA 3 to Airline Drive), and Off System Bridge Project – Koran Doyline Road/Clarke Bayou Project No. H.009945, Industrial Drive Water Line Extension Project, the Northeast Waste Water Treatment Plant to the CIC Project, Viking Drive Widening Project between Swan Lake Road and Airline Drive, Parkway North, Miciotto Swan Lake Connection, Melrose, Wemple Road, Downtown Re-Envisioning Project, GOHSEP-Willow Chute Culverts, Bobby Byrd Drainage Improvements, East West Corridor, Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District No. 1 (North), and E. Texas Street Gravity Main Repairs, being joint projects of both entities; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that William R. Altimus, Parish Administrator, is authorized to sign the Local Services Agreement containing the provisions set forth herein between the PARISH OF BOSSIER and the CITY OF BOSSIER CITY.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the Parish of Bossier authorizes the Parish Attorney to take whatever action necessary in furtherance of the joint project set forth herein. If any provisions or item of this ordinance or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items or applications of this ordinance which can be given effect and to this end the provisions of this ordinance are hereby declared severable.

The ordinance was offered by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Cochran. Upon vote, it was duly adopted on this 5th day of April, 2017.

RACHEL D. HAUSER
PARISH SECRETARY

BOB BROTHERTON, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Rimmer, to authorize the expenditure of funds for the acquisition and demolition of homes located at 220 Whispering Pine Drive, Haughton, LA, 224 Whispering Pine Drive, Haughton, LA, 632 Pine Cove Drive, Haughton, LA, 634 Pine Cone Drive, Haughton, LA, 639 Pine Cone Drive, Haughton, LA and 641 Pine Cone Drive, Haughton, LA, which have been approved for funding through the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program #4228-015-0001, FEMA-4228-DR-LA, Project #0001, and authorize the Parish Administrator to execute documents related to same.

The President called for public comment. Mr. Benton asked if funding has been received from the Federal Emergency Management Agency for the residents. Mr. Ford stated that the Parish of Bossier has been authorized by the Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness to purchase these homes and a resolution is required to move forward with purchasing the homes.

Mr. Benton asked when the residents can expect to receive a check for the loss of their property due to the flood events. Mr. Ford stated that the parish is working diligently to schedule closings in order to begin purchasing the flood damaged homes. He stated that the parish must follow certain guidelines in order to purchase the homes, and a weekly meeting is held in order to ensure that all guidelines are being met.

Mr. Ford stated that all homes submitted for 2009 flood event mitigation funds (1863 funds) must be purchased by the end of June, 2017, including the completion of all paperwork and demolition of homes. He stated that once those closing are complete, work will begin to schedule closings to purchase flood damaged homes submitted in the second application for 2015 flood event mitigation funds (4228 funds).

Mr. Ford advised that there were a total of four applications submitted for the buyout program through the FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant Program.

Mr. Harvey Kemper, 108 Tall Timbers Blvd., Haughton, LA, asked how a determination is made as to which homes will be purchased and when. Mr. Ford stated that homeowners that received damage from the 2009 flood event were submitted in the first application for the buyout program, and homes that were damaged in the recent flood event were categorized based on the amount of water in the home. Mr. Ford stated that Mr. Kemper's home had 52 inches of water in his home and was submitted in the third application (amended 4228 funds) to FEMA.

Mr. Kemper stated that he is in the same position as other homeowners that lost their homes and belongings in the flood. He stated that he would like some relief and to be included in the buyout program. He further stated that no one can truly understand his position if they have not experienced the loss that he has suffered from the flood event.

Votes were cast and the motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 5th day of April, 2017, that it does hereby authorize the expenditure of funds for the acquisition and demolition of homes located at 220 Whispering Pine Drive, Haughton, LA, 224 Whispering Pine Drive, Haughton, LA, 632 Pine Cove Drive, Haughton, LA, 634 Pine Cone Drive, Haughton, LA, 639 Pine Cone Drive, Haughton, LA and 641 Pine Cone Drive, Haughton, LA, which are approved for funding through the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program #4228-015-0001, FEMA-4228-DR-LA, Project #0001.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that William Altimus, Parish Administrator, is hereby authorized to execute documents.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Rimmer. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 5th day of April, 2017.

RACHEL D. HAUSER
PARISH SECRETARY

BOB BROTHERTON, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Motion was made by Mr. Skaggs, seconded by Mr. Plummer, to authorize the expenditure of funds for the acquisition and demolition of homes located at 208 Gumwood, Haughton, LA, 218 Whispering Pine Drive, Haughton, LA, 645 Pine Cone Drive, Haughton, LA, 643 Pine Cone Drive, Haughton, LA, 162 Cane Bend Drive, Haughton, LA, and 370 Caplis Sligo Road, Bossier City, LA, which have been approved for funding through the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program #1863-015-0001, FEMA-1863-DR-LA, Project #0001, and authorize the Parish Administrator to execute documents related to same.

The President called for public comment. Mr. George Hilburn, 645 Pine Cone Drive, Haughton, LA, asked for clarification regarding the June, 2017, deadline that was mentioned by Mr. Ford earlier. Mr. Ford stated that issues with FEMA change weekly, and some of the deadlines that are set by FEMA and GOHSEP are difficult to meet. He stated that Mr. Hilburn's home is scheduled to be one of the first homes to be purchased and demolished due to no mortgage or liens on the home. Mr. Ford stated that all paperwork, including the purchase and demolition of homes submitted in the first application to FEMA must be completed by June, 2017.

Mr. Hilburn asked how that would help him when he needs funds now to purchase a new home. Mr. Ford stated that Mr. Hilburn would receive 75 percent of the home value as per FEMA regulations. Mr. Hilburn stated that he has suffered the loss of his home, and has suffered the loss of purchasing two different homes in Haughton waiting for the parish to purchase his flood damaged home. He stated that he may lose the purchase of another home if his flood damaged home is not purchased soon.

Mr. Benton stated that the parish has no control over the release of funding from FEMA and GOHSEP for applications submitted for the buyout program through the FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant Program. Mr. Hilburn stated that he was told that it would take approximately one year to receive funds for the buyout of his home, but a year has passed and his home has not been purchased. He stated that he has been told that funding for his home is available from prior funds, and all that is needed is someone's approval and he would receive funds. Mr. Benton stated that he has been misinformed and if there were funds available for immediate distribution to the homeowners, the parish would have already obtained and issued those funds.

Mr. Benton stated that he did not suffer loss from the flood events, but that Mr. Ford and his staff have worked tirelessly to obtain approval and authorization from FEMA and GOHSEP to assist all flood victims. He stated that the application submitted by the parish on behalf of the homeowners was originally denied, and Mr. Ford resubmitted the application. Mr. Benton stated that these are FEMA funds, and the parish has no control how FEMA chooses to handle the applications.

There was additional discussion regarding the process of submitting applications to FEMA for the buyout program through the FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant Program.

Votes were cast and the motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 5th day of April, 2017, that it does hereby authorize the expenditure of funds for the acquisition and demolition of homes located at 208 Gumwood, Haughton, LA, 218 Whispering Pine Drive, Haughton, LA, 645 Pine Cone Drive, Haughton, LA, 643 Pine Cone Drive, Haughton, LA, 162 Cane Bend Drive, Haughton, LA, and 370 Caplis Sligo Road, Bossier City, LA, which are approved for funding through the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program #1863-015-0001, FEMA-1863-DR-LA, Project #0001.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that William Altimus, Parish Administrator, is hereby authorized to execute documents.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Skaggs, seconded by Mr. Plummer. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 5th day of April, 2017.

RACHEL D. HAUSER
PARISH SECRETARY

BOB BROTHERTON, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Motion was made by Mr. Skaggs, seconded by Mr. Shewmake, to accept the streets and drainage in Redwood Place at Legacy Subdivision, Unit No. 9, 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. 4644

WHEREAS, the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session convened on the 5th day of April, 2017, has received a request from Southern Home Builders, Inc., that the parish accept into its system for permanent maintenance, the streets and drainage in Redwood Place at Legacy Subdivision, Unit No. 9, 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 Southern Home Builders, Inc., 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 Redwood Place at Legacy Subdivision, Unit No. 9, Bossier Parish, Louisiana:

Grand Cane Lane – 0.170 mile

Grand Cane Court – 0.075 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. Skaggs, seconded by Mr. Shewmake. Upon vote, it was duly adopted on this 5th day of April, 2017.

RACHEL D. HAUSER
PARISH SECRETARY

BOB BROTHERTON, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Mr. Ford presented Change Order No. 3 on the FY2014-2015 LCDBG Sewer Improvements Project for sewer improvements in East Benton Subdivision, advising that Change Order No. 3 results in a deduct in the amount of \$4,770.00. **Motion was made by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Rimmer, to approve Change Order No. 3 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 5th day of April, 2017, that it does hereby approve Change Order No. 3 on the FY2014-2015 LCDBG Sewer Improvements Project for sewer improvements in East Benton Subdivision.

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

The resolution was offered by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Rimmer. Upon vote, it was duly adopted on this 5th day of April, 2017.

RACHEL D. HAUSER
PARISH SECRETARY

BOB BROTHERTON, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Motion was made by Mr. Skaggs, seconded by Mr. Cochran, to accept the proposal of Forte & Tablada in the amount of \$8,000.00 to inspect and provide a load rating report for the Linton Road Bridge over Black Bayou Reservoir, and to authorize the execution of documents.

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

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 5th day of April, 2017, that Bob Brotherton, 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 Forte & Tablada in the amount of \$8,000.00 to inspect and provide a load rating report for the Linton Road Bridge over Black Bayou Reservoir.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Skaggs, seconded by Mr. Cochran. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 5th day of April, 2017.

RACHEL D. HAUSER
PARISH SECRETARY

BOB BROTHERTON, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Motion was made by Mr. Skaggs, seconded by Mr. Benton, to accept the proposal of Lazenby & Associates, Inc., in the amount of \$5,263.10 to add aerial background onto map and residual sheets for Bossier North/South Corridor, Swan Lake Road-Phase 2, State Project No. H.003854, F.A.P. H.003854, Bossier Parish, Louisiana, and to authorize the execution of documents.

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

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 5th day of April, 2017, that Bob Brotherton, 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 Lazenby & Associates, Inc., in the amount of \$5,263.10 to add aerial background onto map and residual sheets for Bossier North/South Corridor, Swan Lake Road-Phase 2, State Project No. H.003854, F.A.P. H.003854, Bossier Parish, Louisiana.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Skaggs, seconded by Mr. Benton. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 5th day of April, 2017.

RACHEL D. HAUSER
PARISH SECRETARY

BOB BROTHERTON, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Mr. Ford reported that approximately 3.5 inches of rain fell in northern Bossier Parish on Sunday, which resulted in some drainage issues.

Mr. Ford reported that a meeting is scheduled Friday to discuss tying the new Kingston Road lift station into the sewer plant.

Mr. Ford stated that some settlement has occurred on the Old Vanceville Road Bridge, and the load limit has been reduced to 15 to 25 tons.

Mr. Ford stated that applications are being submitted for additional funding that may be available from FEMA for hurricanes Gustav and Ike.

Mr. Avery stated that due to the width of the roads in Rosedale Place Subdivision, there are issues with parking on the streets which are making it difficult for emergency vehicles and school buses to access streets in the subdivision.

Mr. Danny Young, President of the Rosedale Place Homeowners Association, stated that the streets in Rosedale Place Subdivision do not belong to the homeowners association. He stated that vehicles are parking on the streets, which is creating issues for emergency vehicles and school buses to access areas of the subdivision. Mr. Young stated that legal counsel for Rosedale Place Homeowners Association stated that the homeowners association does not have the authority to prohibit parking on the streets because the parish owns the streets in the subdivision.

Mr. Young requested the police jury to prohibit parking on the streets in Rosedale Place Subdivision. Mr. Jackson stated that the police jury has the flexibility to schedule a public hearing to consider adoption of an ordinance prohibiting any parking along the streets in Rosedale Place Subdivision and recommended that the homeowners association present their concerns during that public hearing, as well as any other residents that have been adversely affected by vehicles parking on the streets. He stated that prior to the public hearing a meeting can be scheduled with the homeowners association to discuss potential resolutions regarding street parking.

After further discussion, **motion was made by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Rimmer, to amend the agenda to schedule a public hearing on May 4, 2017, to consider adoption of an ordinance prohibiting the parking of vehicles on all street rights-of-way in Rosedale Place Subdivision.**

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

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Motion was made by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Rimmer, to schedule a public hearing on May 4, 2017, to consider adoption of an ordinance prohibiting the parking of vehicles on all street rights-of-way in Rosedale Place Subdivision, and providing penalties for violation thereof.

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 stated that Red Land Road Bridge is now open. He further stated that work has begun on Chalybeate Springs Road Bridge, and it is anticipated that the bridge will be open next week.

Mr. Coutee stated that the sidewalks in Lawson Bo Brandon Sports Complex are complete.

Mr. Skaggs reported that the Bossier Chamber of Commerce recently began the “Be Bossier” campaign. Ms. Lisa Johnson, President of the Bossier Chamber of Commerce, extended appreciation to the police jury for its continued support and encouraged the police jurors and public to visit the “Be Bossier” website.

Mr. Benton requested clarification on approved funding from FEMA and GOHSEP for the flood events. Mr. Ford presented additional information pertaining to funding from FEMA and GOHSEP.

Mr. Brotherton recognized Benton Mayor Shelly Horton in the audience.

Mr. Jackson stated that William Gehlen Padgett, a long-time Bossier Parish deputy and friend to Bossier Parish and the Bossier Parish Police Jury, passed away this week. He requested that the Padgett family be remembered in everyone’s thoughts and prayers.

There being no further business to come before the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 5th day of April, 2017, the meeting was adjourned by the President at 3:14 p.m.

RACHEL D. HAUSER
PARISH SECRETARY

BOB BROTHERTON, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY