

BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY
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The Bossier Parish Police Jury met in regular and legal session on the 20th day of May, 2020, held immediately following the Finance Committee Meeting which began at 2:00 p.m., in the Police Jury Meeting Room, Bossier Parish Courthouse, Benton, Louisiana. The President, Mr. Jimmy Cochran, called the meeting to order. The invocation was given by Mr. Charles Gray, and the pledge of allegiance was led by Mr. Chris Marsiglia. Ms. Julie Gill, Secretary for the Parish Attorney, called the roll, with all members present as follows:

Mr. Glenn Benton, via video teleconference	Mr. Chris Marsiglia
Mr. Bob Brotherton, via video teleconference	Mr. Mac Plummer, via video teleconference
Mr. Jimmy Cochran	Mr. Doug Rimmer, via video teleconference
Mr. Jerome Darby, via video teleconference	Mr. Philip Rodgers
Mr. Charles Gray	Mr. Tom Salzer, via video teleconference
Mr. John Ed Jordan	Mr. Jack Skaggs, via video teleconference

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

Motion was made by Mr. Rimmer, seconded by Mr. Gray, to adopt the minutes of the April 15, 2020, regular and Finance Committee meeting, as published.

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

Mr. Sam Marsiglia, Director of the Haughton Metropolitan Planning Commission, and Mr. K.W. Gaspard, Town of Haughton Mayor Pro Tem, were present. Mr. Marsiglia expressed appreciation to the police jury for its’ assistance with the creation of the Haughton Metropolitan Planning Commission. He stated that they are working diligently to create the necessary boards for the Haughton MPC and working to finalize by-laws for adoption. Mr. Marsiglia stated that it is anticipated that the board’s first meeting will be held August 1, 2020, and it is anticipated that the new zoning regulations will be in place in September, 2020.

Mr. Marsiglia stated that workshops will be scheduled with the Haughton Town Council members to educate them on zoning regulations and the Unified Development Code.

Mr. Gaspard extended appreciation to the police jury for its support in creating the Haughton MPC. He stated that creation of the Haughton MPC has been in the works for approximately four years, and they look forward to working with the police jury.

Mr. Scott Alexander and Mr. Bent Crenshaw were present. Mr. Alexander stated that he and Mr. Crenshaw are present today to discuss the lack of internet access to Bossier Parish citizens. He stated that Viasat Internet was an option for him, but it is very expensive and not reliable.

Mr. Alexander stated that internet access has become life essential, especially due to the COVID-19 health crisis. He stated that reliable internet access is essential for people having to work from home and for students having to do schoolwork from home.

Mr. Alexander stated that internet access is essential to those who have medical conditions and medical equipment at home that require internet access to monitor health conditions. He stated that several citizens that live near him cannot afford the available internet in that area. He further stated that internet access has become life essential due to medical issues, people having to work from home, and for students to do schoolwork.

Mr. Alexander provided additional information pertaining to available internet and his diligent work to address the need for reliable and affordable internet service for the citizens in the Benton area.

Mr. Crenshaw stated that there is no access to reliable and affordable internet services in the Benton area. He stated that Viasat Internet is not a viable solution for internet services. He provided additional information pertaining to the lack of internet services from Viasat Internet.

Mr. Crenshaw stated that he created a Facebook Group for citizens in the Benton area to reach out and express their concerns pertaining to the lack of internet services in Benton. He stated that currently, approximately 400 homes have reached out to the Facebook Group expressing the need for reliable and affordable internet services in the Benton area. Mr. Crenshaw presented a map which pinpoints all addresses that have expressed their concerns on the Facebook Group. He read several comments from the Facebook Group.

Mr. Alexander stated that AT&T will run internet service to his home as long as it is for a business, and the cost is approximately \$520.00 per month. He stated that in order to run his business from his home, he has been left with no option but to pay \$520.00 a month for AT&T internet services. He further stated that the fiberoptic cable is in place for the citizens of the Benton area, but it is costly to run the service to a home.

Mr. Alexander stated that the citizens of Bossier Parish need a voice at the parish, state and federal level to express the need for reliable and affordable internet service. He stated that certain areas in the Benton area are being overlooked for reliable and affordable internet services, and referenced the map pinpointing the addresses that do not have the needed internet service.

Mr. Alexander asked that the police jury be the voice for those in need of reliable and affordable internet service in the Benton area. He requested that a committee be created specifically to address the issues pertaining to the need for internet services. He requested that the parish pursue obtaining federal funds to assist with efforts for better internet access in Bossier Parish.

Mr. Alexander requested that Mr. Rodgers make a motion today to create an Internet Infrastructure Committee to address the need for reliable and affordable internet service for those areas in Benton that are unable to access the needed internet services. Mr. Rodgers asked if a committee could be established to address the internet issues.

Mr. Cochran recommended that the police jury take this matter under advisement at this time. Mr. Rodgers expressed appreciation to Mr. Alexander and Mr. Crenshaw for providing information to the police jury pertaining to the lack of internet service in the Benton area.

Mr. Alexander requested to be a visitor at the next meeting to further discuss this matter. Mr. Cochran recommended that Mr. Alexander and Mr. Crenshaw attend the June 17, 2020, regular meeting at 2:00 p.m. to further discuss this matter, which will allow the police jurors time to review this matter further.

Mr. Jackson stated that there is an effort underway currently to address lack of internet services. He stated that he would be willing to meet with Mr. Alexander and Mr. Crenshaw to provide them with information pertaining to the efforts that have and are being made to address this matter. He further stated that the police jury does not have the ability to resolve this matter in two weeks. Mr. Jackson stated that this matter is a nationwide problem, and the police jury is very much aware of the issues that Mr. Alexander has presented today.

Mr. Alexander stated that a committee could provide the public with information as it becomes available regarding internet services. He asked what information the police jury would recommend that Mr. Crenshaw present to the Facebook Group today as a result of this meeting. Mr. Cochran recommended that anything discussed today can be presented to the Facebook Group, and that this matter will be further discussed at the June 17, 2020, regular police jury meeting at 2:00 p.m.

Mr. Crenshaw asked why the police jury cannot make a motion today to create a committee specifically for this issue. Mr. Cochran stated that no action will be taken on this matter until he has been able to discuss this matter further with the Parish Administrator and Parish Attorney.

There was further discussion on this matter. Mr. Alexander requested that the police jurors review the comments from the citizens on the Facebook Group created by Mr. Crenshaw.

Ms. Gill announced the public hearing to consider adoption of an ordinance prohibiting the use of “jake brakes” or “unmuffled compression brakes” on Old Plain Dealing Road, beginning at the Town of Benton limits to the Town of Plain Dealing limits.

Mr. Jorden requested that the record reflect that the area being affected by this ordinance on Old Plain Dealing Road is from Highway 160 to Ballard Road. After further discussion, and there being no objection, **motion was made by Mr. Rodgers, seconded by Mr. Jorden, to adopt an ordinance prohibiting the use of “jake brakes” or “unmuffled compression brakes” on Old Plain Dealing Road between Highway 160 and Ballard Road.**

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

ORDINANCE NO. 4768

AN ORDINANCE TO PROHIBIT THE USE OF “JAKE BRAKES” OR “UNMUFFLED COMPRESSION BRAKES” ON OLD PLAIN DEALING ROAD BETWEEN HIGHWAY 160 AND BALLARD ROAD, AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION THEREOF.

SECTION 1. BE IT ORDAINED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session convened on this 20th day of May, 2020, that the use of a motor vehicle powered braking device commonly known as “jake brakes” or “unmuffled compression brakes” on Old Plain Dealing Road between Highway 160 and Ballard Road is hereby prohibited.

SECTION 2. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the provisions of this ordinance shall not apply to emergency vehicles or equipment.

SECTION 3. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that any person found guilty of violating the provisions of this ordinance shall be punished by a fine not exceeding \$500, or imprisonment for a term not exceeding 30 days, or by both such fine and imprisonment within the discretion of the court.

The ordinance was offered by Mr. Rodgers, seconded by Mr. Jorden. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 20th day of May, 2020.

RACHEL D. HAUSER
PARISH SECRETARY

JIMMY COCHRAN, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Ms. Gill announced the public hearing to consider adoption of an ordinance amending Chapter 94 of the Bossier Parish Code of Ordinances, “Roads and Bridges”, to add Article V “Small Wireless Facilities”, which provides a fair and predictable process for the deployment of small wireless facilities, while enabling the Parish to promote the management of the right-of-way in the overall interests of the public health, safety, and welfare.

After further discussion, and there being no objection, **motion was made by Mr. Salzer, seconded by Mr. Skaggs, to adopt an ordinance amending Chapter 94 of the Bossier Parish Code of Ordinances, “Roads and Bridges”, to add Article V “Small Wireless Facilities”, which provides a fair and predictable process for the deployment of small wireless facilities, while enabling the Parish to promote the management of the right-of-way in the overall interests of the public health, safety, and welfare.**

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

ORDINANCE NO. 4769

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 94 OF THE BOSSIER PARISH CODE OF ORDINANCES, "ROADS AND BRIDGES", BY ADDING ARTICLE V "SMALL WIRELESS FACILITIES"

WHEREAS, the Parish of Bossier desires to encourage wireless infrastructure investment by providing a fair and predictable process for the deployment of small wireless facilities, while enabling the Parish to promote the management of the right-of-way in the overall interests of the public health, safety and welfare; and

WHEREAS, the Parish recognizes that small wireless facilities are critical to delivering wireless access to advanced technology, broadband and 9-1-1 services to homes, businesses, and schools within the Parish; and

WHEREAS, the Parish recognizes that small wireless facilities, including facilities commonly referred to as small cells and distributed antenna systems, often may be deployed most effectively in the public rights-of-way; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 20th day of May, 2020, that Chapter 94, "Roads and Bridges", of the Bossier Parish Code of Ordinances, be and is hereby amended to read as follows:

ARTICLE V. SMALL WIRELESS FACILITIES**Section 94-130. Purpose.**

(a) Purpose: The purpose of this Section is to establish policies and procedures for the placement of small wireless facilities in the rights-of-way within the Parish's jurisdiction, which will provide public benefit consistent with the preservation of the integrity, safe usage, and visual qualities of the Parish's rights-of-way and the Parish as a whole.

(b) Intent: In enacting this Section, the Parish is establishing uniform standards to address issues presented by small wireless facilities, including without limitation, to:

- (1) Prevent interference with the use of streets, sidewalks, alleys, parkways and other public ways and places;
- (2) Prevent the creation of visual and physical obstructions and other conditions that are hazardous to vehicular and pedestrian traffic;
- (3) Prevent interference with the facilities and operations of facilities lawfully located in the rights-of-way or public property, as well as public safety vehicles;
- (4) Protect against environmental damage, including damage to trees;
- (5) Preserve the character of the neighborhoods in which facilities are installed; and
- (6) Facilitate rapid deployment of small cell facilities to provide the benefits of advanced wireless services.

(c) Conflicts with Other Sections. This Section supersedes all Sections or parts of Sections adopted prior hereto that are in conflict herewith, to the extent of such conflict.

Section 94-131. Definitions.

The terms below have the following meanings for purposes of this ordinance:

Antenna means communications equipment that transmits or receives electromagnetic radio frequency signals used in the provision of wireless services.

Applicable Codes means uniform building, fire, electrical, plumbing, or mechanical codes adopted by a recognized national code organization or local amendments to those codes enacted solely to address imminent threats of a destruction of property or injury to persons to the extent not inconsistent with the terms of this Section.

Applicant means any person who submits an application and is a wireless provider.

Application means a request submitted by an applicant (1) for a Permit to collocate small wireless facilities; or (2) to approve the installation or modification of a utility pole or wireless support structure.

Parish-Owned Pole means (1) a utility pole owned or operated by the Parish in the rights-of-way, including a utility pole that provides lighting or traffic control functions, including light poles, traffic signals, and structures for signage, and (2) a pole or similar structure owned or operated by the Parish in the rights-of-way that supports only Wireless Facilities.

Parish means the Parish of Bossier, Louisiana.

Police Jury means the Bossier Parish Police Jury of the Parish of Bossier, Louisiana.

Parish Engineer means the person appointed by the Administrator as the manager to perform the responsibilities in this Ordinance.

Collocate means to install, mount, maintain, modify, operate or replace wireless facilities on or adjacent to a wireless support structure or utility pole. "Collocation" has a corresponding meaning.

Day means calendar day.

Fee means a one-time charge.

Person means an individual, corporation, limited liability company, partnership, association, trust, or other entity or organization, including the Parish.

Rate means a recurring charge.

Rights-of-way or *ROW* means the area on or below, or above a roadway, highway, street, sidewalk, alley, or similar property, but not including a federal interstate highway, in the Parish.

Small Wireless Facility means a wireless facility that meets both of the following qualifications: (1) each antenna is located inside an enclosure of no more than six cubic feet in volume or, in the case of an antenna that has exposed elements, the Antenna and all of its exposed elements could fit within an imaginary enclosure of no more than six cubic feet; and (2) all other wireless equipment associated with the facility is cumulatively no more than 28 cubic feet in volume. The following types of associated ancillary equipment are not included in the calculation of equipment volume: electric meter, concealment elements, telecommunications demarcation box, ground-based enclosures, grounding equipment, power transfer switch, cut-off switch and vertical cable runs for the connection of power and other services.

Utility Pole means a pole or similar structure that is used in whole or in part for the purpose of carrying electric distribution lines or cables or wires for telecommunications, cable or electric service, or for lighting, traffic control, signage, or a similar function regardless of ownership, including Parish owned poles. Such term shall not include structures supporting only Wireless Facilities.

Wireless Facility means equipment at a fixed location that enables wireless communications between user equipment and a communications network, including: (1) equipment associated with wireless communications and (2) radio transceivers, Antennas, coaxial or fiber-optic cable, regular and backup power supplies, and comparable equipment, regardless of technological configuration. The term includes small wireless facilities. The term does not include the structure or improvements on, under, or within which equipment is collocated.

Wireless Infrastructure Provider means any person, including a person authorized to provide telecommunications service in the state, that builds or installs wireless communication transmission equipment, wireless facilities or wireless support structures, but that is not a wireless services provider.

Wireless Provider means a wireless infrastructure provider or a wireless services provider.

Wireless Services means any services, whether at a fixed location or mobile, provide using wireless facilities.

Wireless Service Provider means a person who provides wireless services.

Wireless Support Structure means a freestanding structure, such as a monopole; tower, either guyed or self-supporting; billboard; or, other existing or proposed structure designed to support or capable of supporting wireless facilities. Such term shall not include a utility pole.

Section 94-132. Permitted Use; Application and Fees.

(a) Permitted Use: Collocation of a small cell facility or a new or modified utility pole or wireless support structure for the collocation of a small cell facility shall be a permitted use subject to the restrictions in Section 94-134.

(b) Permit Required. No person shall place a small wireless facility in the rights-of-way, without first filing a small wireless facility application and obtaining a permit therefore, except as otherwise provided in this Section.

(c) Permit Application. All small wireless facility applications for permits filed pursuant to this Section shall be on a form, paper or electronic, provided by the Parish. The applicant may designate portions of its application materials that it reasonably believes contain proprietary or confidential information as “proprietary” or “confidential” by clearly marking each page of such materials accordingly.

(d) Application Requirements. The small wireless facility permit application shall be made by the wireless provider or its duly authorized representative and shall contain the following:

(1) The applicant’s name, address, telephone number, and e-mail address;

(2) The names, addresses, telephone numbers, and e-mail addresses of all consultants, if any, acting on behalf of the applicant with respect to the filing of the application.

(3) A general description of the proposed work and the purposes and intent of the small wireless facility. The scope and detail of such description shall be appropriate to the nature and character of the work to be performed, with special emphasis on those matters likely to be affected or impacted by the work proposed;

(4) A small wireless facility shall comply with all applicable codes.

(e) Routine Maintenance and Replacement. An application shall not be required for: (1) routine maintenance; and (2) the replacement of a small wireless facility with another small wireless facility that is substantially similar or smaller in size, weight, and height.

(f) Information Updates. Any amendment to information contained in a permit application shall be submitted in writing to the Parish within thirty (30) days after the change necessitating the amendment.

(g) Application Fees.

(1) Unless otherwise provided by law, all applications for permits pursuant to this Section shall be accompanied by a fee for actual, direct, and reasonable cost incurred by the Parish related to processing the application, but shall not exceed \$500.00 each for each small wireless facilities addressed in the application and \$1,000.00 per application for each wireless support structure or attachment to a Parish owned pole.

(2) The amount of actual, direct, and reasonable costs for application fees shall not include costs incurred in relation to third-party legal or engineering review of an application; or direct payment or reimbursement of third-party public right-of-way rates or fees charged on a contingency basis or under a result-based arrangement.

Section 94-133. Action on Permit Applications.

(a) (1) Review of Small Cell Facility Applications: The Parish shall review the application for a small wireless facility permit in light of its conformity with applicable regulations of this Section and shall issue a permit on nondiscriminatory terms and conditions subject to the following requirement:

(i) Within ten (10) days of receiving an Application, the Parish must determine and notify the Applicant whether the Application is complete; or if an Application is incomplete, the Parish must specifically identify the missing information.

(ii) Make its final decision to approve or deny the application within sixty (6) days; and

(iii) Advise the applicant in writing of its final decision, and in the final decision document the basis for a denial, including specific code provisions on which the denial was based, and send the documentation to the applicant on or before the day the Parish denies the application. The applicant may cure the deficiencies identified by the Parish and resubmit the application within thirty (30) days of the denial without paying an additional application fee. The Parish shall approve or deny the revised application within thirty (30) days of receipt of the amended application. The subsequent review by the Parish shall be limited to the deficiencies cited in the original denial.

(2) If the Parish fails to act on an application within the sixty (60) day review period, the applicant may provide notice that the time period for acting has lapsed and the application is then deemed approved.

(3) An applicant seeking to construct, modify or replace a network of small wireless facilities may, at the applicant’s discretion, file a consolidated application and receive a single permit for multiple small wireless facilities. Provided however, the parish’s denial of any site or sites within a single application shall not affect other sites submitted in the same application. The Parish shall grant a permit for any and all sites in a single application that it does not deny subject to the requirements of this Section.

Section 94-134. Small Wireless Facilities in the Right of Way; Maximum Height; Other Requirements.

(a) Maximum Size of Permitted Use. Small wireless facilities, and new or modified utility poles and wireless support structures for the collocation of small wireless facilities may be placed in the rights-of-way as a permitted use subject to the following requirements:

- (1) Each new or modified utility pole or wireless support structure installed in the rights-of-way shall not exceed the greater of:
 - (i) Ten (10) feet above the tallest existing utility pole in the rights-of-way in place as of the effective date of this Section located within 500 feet of the new pole; or,
 - (ii) Fifty (50) feet above ground level.
- (2) New small wireless facilities in the rights-of-way shall not exceed the greater of:
 - (i) More than ten (10) feet above an existing utility pole or wireless support structure in the rights-of-way in place as of the effective date of this Section; or
 - (ii) Above the height for a new utility pole or wireless support structure under Section 94-133(a)(1).

(b) Zoning. Any wireless provider that seeks to construct or modify a utility pole, wireless support structure or wireless facility that exceeds the height or size limits contained in this section, shall be subject to applicable zoning requirements.

(c) Undergrounding Provisions. Application shall comply with nondiscriminatory undergrounding requirements that prohibit electric utilities, telecommunications or cable providers from installing structures in the rights-of-way without prior zoning approval in areas zoned for single-family residential use, provided such requirement shall not prohibit the replacement of existing structures.

(d) Location of Small Cell Facilities. Applicant shall provide the latitude and longitude coordinates of each small cell facility. If a small wireless facility is to be placed in a residential area, a hearing before the Metropolitan Planning Commission must be held.

Section 94-135. Effect of Permit.

(a) Authority Granted; No property Right or Other Interest Created. A permit from the Parish authorizes an applicant to undertake only certain activities in accordance with this Section, and does not create a property right or grant authority to the applicant to impinge upon the rights of others who may already have an interest in the rights-of-way.

(b) Duration. No permit for construction issued under this Section shall be valid for a period longer than twelve (12) months unless construction has actually begun within that period and is thereafter diligently pursued to completion.

Section 94-136. Removal, Relocation or Modification of Small Wireless Facility in the Right of Way.

(a) Notice. Within ninety (90) days following written notice from the Parish, wireless providers shall, at its own expense, protect, support, temporarily or permanently disconnect, remove, relocate, change or alter the position of any small wireless facilities within the rights-of-way whenever the Parish has determined that such removal, relocation, change or alteration, is reasonably necessary for the construction, repair, maintenance, or installation of any Parish improvement in or upon, or the operations of the Parish in or upon, the rights-of-way.

(b) Emergency Removal or Relocation of Facilities. The Parish retains the right and privilege to cut or move any small wireless facility located within the rights-of-way of the Parish, as the Parish may determine to be necessary, appropriate or useful in response to any public health or safety emergency. If circumstances permit, the Parish shall notify the wireless provider and provide the wireless provider an opportunity to move its own facilities prior to cutting or removing a facility and shall notify the wireless provider after cutting or removing a small wireless facility.

(c) Abandonment of Facilities. Upon abandonment of a small wireless facility within the rights-of-way of the Parish, the wireless providers shall notify the Parish within ninety (90) days. Following receipt of such notice, the Parish may direct the wireless provider to remove all or any portion of the small wireless facility if the Parish or any of its departments, determines that such removal will be in the best interest of the public health, safety and welfare.

Section 94-137. Right-of-Way Rates.

(a) Annual Rate. A wireless provider authorized to place small wireless facilities in the rights-of-way shall pay to the Parish compensation for the use of the rights-of-way in the amount of \$250.00 annually per small wireless facility.

(b) Cease Payment. A wireless provider is authorized to remove its facilities from the rights-of-way upon providing the Parish with at least thirty (30) days written notice and cease paying the Parish compensation for the use of the rights-of-way after removal of its facilities.

Section 94-138. Attachment to Parish Owned Utility Poles in the Right-of-Way.

(a) Annual Rate. The rate to place a small wireless facility on a Parish owned pole in the right-of-way shall be \$50.00 per year for all Parish owned poles in the rights-of-way. Such compensation together with the application fee and the rights-of-way fee specified in Section 94-132(g)(1) of this Chapter shall be the sole compensation that the wireless providers shall be required to pay the Parish.

(b) Cease Payment. A wireless provider is authorized to remove its facilities from the rights-of-way upon providing the Parish with at least thirty (30) days written notice and cease paying the Parish compensation for the use of the rights-of-way after removal of its facilities.

(c) Make-Ready. For Parish owned utility poles in the rights-of-way, the Parish shall provide a good faith estimate for any make-ready work necessary to enable the pole to support the requested small wireless facility, including the pole replacement if necessary, within sixty (60) days after receipt of a complete request. Make-ready work including any pole replacement shall be completed within sixty (60) days of written acceptance of the good faith estimate by the wireless provider.

Section 94-139. Change of Law.

In the event that any legislative, regulatory, judicial, or other action affects the rights or obligations of the Parties or establishes rates, terms or conditions for the construction, operation, maintenance, repair or replacement of small cells on Parish infrastructure or in the right-of-way, that differ, in any material respect from the terms of this Agreement ("New Law"), then either Party may, upon thirty (30) days written notice, require that the terms of this Agreement be renegotiated to conform to the New Law. Such conformed terms shall then apply on a going forward

basis for all existing and new small cell installations, unless the New Law requires retroactive application, in which case such new terms shall apply retroactively, as required by the New Law. In the event that the Parties are unable to agree upon new terms within ninety (90) days after notice, then the rates contained in the New Law shall apply from the ninetieth (90th) day forward until the negotiations are completed, or a Party obtains a ruling regarding the appropriate conforming terms from a commission or court of competent jurisdiction.

This Ordinance shall be effective one month following adoption by the Bossier Parish Police Jury.

The provisions of this ordinance are deemed to be separate and severable. The invalidity of any clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, section, or portion of this ordinance, or the invalidity of the application thereof to any person or circumstance shall not affect the validity of the remainder of this ordinance, or the validity of its application to other persons or circumstances.

The ordinance was offered by Mr. Salzer, seconded by Mr. Skaggs. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 20th day of May, 2020.

RACHEL D. HAUSER
PARISH SECRETARY

JIMMY COCHRAN, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Ms. Gill announced the public hearing to consider the site plan for the proposed Dollar General Subdivision, located in Section 32, Township 20 North, Range 11 West, Bossier Parish, LA.

Mr. Hudson presented a request from the applicant for the public hearing in this matter to be tabled to the June 3, 2020, regular meeting.

Mr. Cochran asked if anyone was present on this matter. No one was present.

Motion was made by Mr. Jorden, seconded by Mr. Marsiglia, to table the public hearing to consider the site plan for the proposed Dollar General Subdivision, located in Section 32, Township 20 North, Range 11 West, Bossier Parish, LA; to be considered at the June 3, 2020, regular meeting.

Votes were cast and the motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Gill announced the public hearing to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development of Fairburn Subdivision, Unit No. 4, being a resubdivision of Lot 1, Fairburn Subdivision, Unit No. 3, located in Section 17, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA.

Ms. Carlotta Askew-Brown, Bossier City-Parish Metropolitan Planning Commission, stated that the applicant is requesting to subdivide one commercial lot into two commercial lots for future developments.

After further discussion, and there being no objection, **motion was made by Mr. Rodgers, seconded by Mr. Marsiglia, to approve the plat of the proposed development of Fairburn Subdivision, Unit No. 4, being a resubdivision of Lot 1, Fairburn Subdivision, Unit No. 3, located in Section 17, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA.**

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

Ms. Gill announced the public hearing to consider increasing the speed limit on a portion of Young Road, beginning at Coker Road/Bass Road east to Highway 160, from 25 miles per hour to 45 miles per hour.

Mr. Salzer asked if the mailboxes located on Young Road are breakaway mailboxes, or if they will be grandfathered into the proposed new mailbox requirements. Mr. Ford stated that the mailboxes located on Young Road are breakaway mailboxes.

After further discussion, and there being no objection, **motion was made by Mr. Jorden, seconded by Mr. Marsiglia, to approve increasing the speed limit on a portion of Young Road, beginning at Coker Road/Bass Road east to Highway 160, from 25 miles per hour to 45 miles per hour.**

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

ORDINANCE NO. 4770

AN ORDINANCE REGULATING THE SPEED OF VEHICLES ON YOUNG ROAD, BEGINNING AT COKER ROAD/BASS ROAD EAST TO HIGHWAY 160, LOCATED IN SECTIONS 19 AND 20, TOWNSHIP 21 NORTH, RANGE 11 WEST, BOSSIER PARISH, LOUISIANA, AND PROVIDING THE PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION THEREOF.

SECTION 1. BE IT ORDAINED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session convened on this 20th day of May, 2020, that from and after the effective date of this ordinance, it shall be unlawful for any person to operate or drive a vehicle upon Young Road, beginning at Coker Road/Bass Road East to Highway 160, located in Sections 19 and 20, Township 21 North, Range 11 West, Bossier Parish, Louisiana, in excess of forty-five (45) miles per hour.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that any person found guilty of violating the provisions of this ordinance shall be fined a sum not to exceed Five Hundred and no/100 Dollars (\$500.00), or imprisoned for not more than thirty (30) days, or both.

SECTION 2. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

The ordinance was offered by Mr. Jorden, seconded by Mr. Marsiglia. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 20th day of May, 2020.

RACHEL D. HAUSER
PARISH SECRETARY

JIMMY COCHRAN, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Rimmer, to schedule a public hearing on July 1, 2020, to consider the application of Andrew Craig, Mohr & Associates, Inc., to the Bossier City-Parish Metropolitan Planning Commission, for a zoning amendment to change the zoning classification of a certain tract of land being 1.00 acre, more or less, located directly east of Johnny's Pizza and across Highway 80 from Brookshires Grocery, in Section 16, Township 18 North, Range 12 West, Bossier Parish, LA, from R-A, Residence-Agricultural District,

to B-3, General Business District, for a proposed Bunn Package Liquor Store with drive-through frozen daiquiri sales.

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. Marsiglia, to schedule a public hearing on July 1, 2020, to consider the application of Andrew Craig, Mohr & Associates, Inc., to the Bossier City-Parish Metropolitan Planning Commission, for a Conditional Use Approval for the sale of high and low content alcohol for off-premise consumption at a proposed liquor store with drive-through frozen daiquiri sales, located directly east of Johnny’s Pizza and across Highway 80 from Brookshires Grocery, in Section 16, 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. Skaggs, seconded by Mr. Marsiglia, to schedule a 28-day public hearing on June 17, 2020, to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development of Myers Road Estates Subdivision, located in Section 27, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA.

The President called for public comment. Mr. Hudson stated that the applicant has requested that this matter be heard on June 17, 2020, which does not meet the required 30-day public hearing requirements. Mr. Jackson stated that the police jury has the ability to waive the 30-day requirement and allow a matter to be heard on a date prior to the 30-day requirement.

Votes were cast, and the motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Mr. Rimmer, seconded by Mr. Jorden, to schedule a condemnation hearing on June 3, 2020, to consider the condemnation of property located at 2774 Bellevue Road, Haughton, LA, Tax Assessment No. 111481.

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

Mr. David Ghormely, Bossier Parish Property Standards Officer, requested that Agenda Item No. 10 requesting to schedule a condemnation hearing of property located at 5410 Highway 3, Bossier City, LA, Tax Assessment No. 105098, be removed from the agenda. This matter was removed from the agenda and no action was taken on this agenda item.

Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Marsiglia, to schedule a condemnation hearing on June 3, 2020, to consider the condemnation of property located at 5749 Highway 80, Princeton, LA, Tax Assessment No. 121474.

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

Motion was made by Mr. Brotherton, seconded by Mr. Gray, to schedule a condemnation hearing on June 3, 2020, to consider the condemnation of property located at 1097 CC Sandidge Road, Elm Grove, LA, Tax Assessment No. 116764.

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

Motion was made by Mr. Marsiglia, seconded by Mr. Rodgers, to adopt a resolution proclaiming May 22, 2020, as National Maritime Day.

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

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, on May 22, 1819, the steamship *The Savannah* set sail from Savannah, Georgia, on the first successful transoceanic voyage under steam propulsion, thus making a material contribution to the advancement of ocean transportation; and

WHEREAS, on May 20, 1933, the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled and approved that May 22 of each year shall be designated and known as National Maritime Day; and

WHEREAS, during WW II in what became the world’s largest sealift operation, more than 250,000 members of the American Merchant Marine served their country, with more than 6,700 giving their lives, hundreds being detained as prisoners of war and more than 800 ships being sunk or damaged; and

WHEREAS, waterways have enabled much of the commerce that has expanded America’s economy, sprouted cities near waterways and facilitated vast domestic and international commerce crucial to our economy today; and

WHEREAS, merchant mariners have served America with distinction throughout our history, but especially at critical moments of war and natural disaster; and

WHEREAS, the United States Merchant Marine and thousands of other workers in our Nation’s maritime industry continue to make immeasurable contributions to our economic strength and our ongoing efforts to build a more peaceful world; and

WHEREAS, the United States Merchant Marine also shepherds the safe passage of American goods, move exports to customers around the world, support the flow of domestic commerce on our maritime highways, strengthen our Nation’s economy, bolster job creation and, along with the transportation industry, employ Americans on ships and tugs, and in ports, like our Port of Caddo Bossier; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Bossier Parish Police Jury to increase the awareness of the maritime industry within Caddo and Bossier Parishes, and the State of Louisiana.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Bossier Parish Police Jury joins the President of the United States of America in proclaiming May 22, 2020, as National Maritime Day and calls upon the citizens of Bossier Parish to celebrate this observance.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Marsiglia, seconded by Mr. Rodgers. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 20th day of May, 2020.

RACHEL D. HAUSER
PARISH SECRETARY

JIMMY COCHRAN, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Motion was made by Mr. Rodgers, seconded by Mr. Marsiglia, to approve the request of Sportspectrum for a letter of no objection to the selling of beer at the annual Rivercities Triathlon on August 2, 2020, at the Cypress-Black Bayou Recreation Park, 135 Cypress Park Drive, Benton, LA.

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

Mr. Skaggs presented a Multi-Jurisdictional Consortium Agreement which appointments a Workforce Development Board for the ten parishes in Northwest Louisiana. He stated that the Coordinating & Development Corporation serves as the Planning District for Northwest Louisiana, and within that Planning District is the Workforce Development Board which assists people who have lost their jobs or have suffered significant hurdles in life obtain employment. He stated that a federal grant through the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) is issued to the State, who then distributes it to the parishes. He further stated that WIOA is designed to strengthen and improve our nation's public workforce system and help get Americans, including youth and those with significant barriers to employment, into high-quality jobs and careers and help employers hire and retain skilled workers.

Mr. Skaggs stated that the proposed Multi-Jurisdictional Consortium Agreement recognizes that Sabine Parish is the recipient parish out of the 10 parishes in Northwest Louisiana. He stated that there is an office located in Bossier Parish, and the CDC executes the grant in the 10 parishes. He further stated that this grant has been in place for many years, and this action is an annual event where the police juries in each of the 10 parishes in Northwest Louisiana execute this agreement supporting that particular police jury as being the grant recipient.

Motion was made by Mr. Jorden, seconded by Mr. Rodgers, to approve a Multi-Jurisdictional Consortium Agreement nominating the Honorable Richard “Mike” McCormick, President of the Sabine Parish Police Jury, as “Chief Elected Official” for the purpose of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA), acknowledging that the Sabine Parish Police Jury shall serve as the local grant recipient and The Coordinating & Development Corporation as the grant subrecipient/fiscal agent, and to authorize execution of documents.

The President called for public comment. There being none, **votes were cast with the following votes recorded:**

AYES: Mr. Benton, Mr. Brotherton, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Darby, Mr. Gray, Mr. Jorden, Mr. Marsiglia, Mr. Plummer, Mr. Rimmer, Mr. Rodgers, Mr. Salzer
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: Mr. Skaggs
ABSENT: None

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 20th day of May, 2020, that William R. Altimus, Parish Administrator, or Jimmy Cochran, President, be and is hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the Bossier Parish Police Jury, a Multi-Jurisdictional Consortium Agreement nominating the Honorable Richard “Mike” McCormick, President of the Sabine Parish Police Jury, as “Chief Elected Official” for the purpose of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA), acknowledging that the Sabine Parish Police Jury shall serve as the local grant recipient and The Coordinating & Development Corporation as the grant subrecipient/fiscal agent.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Jorden, seconded by Mr. Rodgers. It was duly adopted on this 20th day of May, 2020, with the following votes recorded:

AYES: Mr. Benton, Mr. Brotherton, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Darby, Mr. Gray, Mr. Jorden, Mr. Marsiglia, Mr. Plummer, Mr. Rimmer, Mr. Rodgers, Mr. Salzer
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: Mr. Skaggs
ABSENT: None
RACHEL D. HAUSER
PARISH SECRETARY

JIMMY COCHRAN, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Mr. Hudson stated that a variance of parish regulations to allow a driveway to be constructed in a drainage easement located on Lots 1 and 2, Forest Hills Subdivision, Unit No. 10, Haughton, LA, was granted by the police jury on September 18, 2019. He stated that an agreement was signed at that time by the property owner, Ms. Jeanine Johnson.

Mr. Hudson stated that the property owner was building a home on Lot 2, Forest Hills Subdivision, Unit No. 10, and requested that the driveway be built on Lot 1 and across a parish drainage easement. He stated that the parish and the metropolitan planning commission worked with the property owner to approve the layout as requested by the property owner.

Mr. Hudson stated that Mr. Jimbo Davlin, Code Inspection Plus, recently requested that the drainage at this location be further reviewed by the parish, and it was discovered that the driveway was not built as approved by the police jury. He stated that the driveway was built over the parish drainage easement, and it was determined that the agreement would be amended to include language that if the parish had to work on the pipe in the drainage easement and it involved removing the concrete driveway and replacing it, the property owner, including any future property owner of Lots 1 and 2, Forest Hills Subdivision, Unit No. 10, would be responsible for all expenses. He further stated that the amended agreement is to be filed with the Bossier Parish Clerk of Court, 26th Judicial District.

Mr. Jason Johnson and Mrs. Jeanine Johnson, property owners, were present. Mr. Hudson stated that due to the COVID-19 health crisis, the Johnsons' daycare has suffered financially, and they are unable to bear the costs to remove the driveway and relocate it off the parish drainage easement as previously approved in September of 2019. He stated that the Johnsons are requesting that the police jury consider the requested amendments to the agreement.

Mr. Hudson stated that the parish is unable to access the inlet due to the inlet top opening being too small and requested that the Johnsons agree to install a larger inlet opening per the approved plans by Coyle Engineering Co., Inc. Mr. Johnson agreed to install the proper inlet approved by the police jury.

Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Jorden, to approve an Amended Agreement by and between the Bossier Parish Police Jury and Jeanine Johnson, pertaining to the placement of a concrete driveway located on Lots 1 and 2, Forest Hills Subdivision, Unit No. 10, and to authorize execution of documents, subject to the Johnsons replacing the existing inlet top opening to be approved by the police jury, and subject to approval by the Parish Attorney and Mr. Hudson.

The President called for public comment. Mr. Johnson stated that he has no questions pertaining to Item Nos. 1 through 6 on the amended agreement but requested clarification on Item No. 7. Mr. Jackson stated that due to a structure being installed in the parish drainage easement, which is prohibited, Item No. 7 of the agreement states that if there are any issues caused by the location of the structure, the Bossier Parish Police Jury is not liable for any damages caused by the structure.

Mr. Johnson asked if Item No. 8 of the agreement refers to the house which has been built. Mr. Hudson stated that the home is located approximately two feet from the parish drainage servitude which has a 60-inch pipe. Mr. Johnson stated that it is his understanding that the drainage easement consists of 15 feet each way from the centerline of the easement for a total of 30 feet. Mr. Hudson confirmed that was correct. Mr. Johnson stated that it is his understanding that no permanent structure is allowed within the 30-foot easement. He asked if he was in violation of parish regulations because the home is located two feet off the easement.

Mr. Jackson stated that the parish has set-back regulations pertaining to parish drainage servitudes and the Johnsons have encroached upon the prohibited area within the drainage easement. Mr. Johnson stated that the home is not built within the drainage servitude, but the home is built two feet from the parish drainage servitude. Mr. Jackson stated that the driveway is built in the drainage servitude and because the Johnsons covered the servitude the parish cannot visibly see if there are issues with the pipe and therefore cannot be held liable for damages to the home. He also stated that there are set-back regulations that have to be met when building structures.

Mr. Jackson provided additional information as to set-back regulations for parish drainage servitudes. There was further discussion regarding drainage servitude and set-backs.

Mr. Jackson recommended that a meeting be scheduled with the Johnsons, Mr. Hudson and himself to further discuss any additional questions they may have pertaining to the agreement.

Mr. Benton stated that the home could have been built further from the parish drainage easement, but the Johnsons chose to build the home where it is currently located. He stated that the parish should not be responsible for any future issues with the home because the homeowners knowingly built the home too close to the parish drainage easement and built their driveway across the parish easement.

Votes were cast, and the motion carried, with the following votes recorded:

AYES: Mr. Benton, Mr. Brotherton, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Gray, Mr. Jorden, Mr. Marsiglia, Mr. Plummer, Mr. Rimmer, Mr. Rodgers, Mr. Salzer, Mr. Skaggs
NAYS: Mr. Darby
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 20th day of May, 2020, that William R. Altimus, Parish Administrator, or Jimmy Cochran, President, be and is hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the Bossier Parish Police Jury, an Amended Agreement by and between the Bossier Parish Police Jury and Jeanine Johnson, pertaining to the placement of a concrete driveway located on Lots 1 and 2, Forest Hills Subdivision, Unit No. 10, and to authorize execution of documents, subject to the Johnsons replacing the existing inlet top opening to be approved by the police jury, and subject to approval by the Parish Attorney and Mr. Hudson.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Jorden. It was duly adopted on this 20th day of May, 2020, with the following votes recorded:

AYES: Mr. Benton, Mr. Brotherton, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Gray, Mr. Jorden, Mr. Marsiglia, Mr. Plummer, Mr. Rimmer, Mr. Rodgers, Mr. Salzer, Mr. Skaggs
NAYS: Mr. Darby
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None
 RACHEL D. HAUSER
 PARISH SECRETARY

JIMMY COCHRAN, PRESIDENT
 BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Motion was made by Mr. Rodgers, seconded by Mr. Marsiglia, to approve Supplement No. 4 to the agreement with Civil Design Group, LLC, in the amount of \$18,000.00 for construction administration for Project No. 2019-132, West Linton Road Extension, 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 20th day of May, 2020, that William R. Altimus, Parish Administrator, or Jimmy Cochran, 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 Supplement No. 4 to the agreement with Civil Design Group, LLC, in the amount of \$18,000.00 for construction administration for Project No. 2019-132, West Linton Road Extension.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Rodgers, seconded by Mr. Marsiglia. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 20th day of May, 2020.

RACHEL D. HAUSER
PARISH SECRETARY

JIMMY COCHRAN, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Brotherton, to accept the proposal of Coyle Engineering Co., Inc., in the amount of \$20,260.00 for the study of White Oak Drive ditch in Dogwood Subdivision, 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 20th day of May, 2020, that William R. Altimus, Parish Administrator, or Jimmy Cochran, 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 Coyle Engineering Co., Inc., in the amount of \$20,260.00 for the study of White Oak Drive ditch in Dogwood Subdivision.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Brotherton. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 20th day of May, 2020.

RACHEL D. HAUSER
PARISH SECRETARY

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BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Motion was made by Mr. Rodgers, seconded by Mr. Marsiglia, to approve a 15-foot Sewer Servitude Dedication for 2-Inch Force Main, being located on Lots 20, 21, 22, and 23, Jones Cypress Gardens Subdivision, Unit No. 2, 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. Jorden, seconded by Mr. Marsiglia, to approve Change Order No. 4 for FY 2018 LCDBG Sewer System Improvements - Oak Hill Mobile Home Park project, and to authorize execution of documents, subject to approval from the State.

Mr. Hudson stated that due to bids coming in under budget, the State will be incurring the cost of this change order. Said Change Order results in an increase of \$41,730.00.

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 20th day of May, 2020, that it does hereby approve Change Order No. 4.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that William R. Altimus, Parish Administrator, or Jimmy Cochran, President, is hereby authorized to execute said Change Order No. 4.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Jorden, seconded by Mr. Marsiglia. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 20th day of May, 2020.

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Jurors were provided a copy of district highway reports.

Mr. Altimus expressed appreciation to the Bossier Parish Mosquito Department for obtaining a new truck sprayer, two backpack sprayers, a Kawasaki side-by-side, and \$30,000.00 worth of chemicals through State grants at no cost to the parish.

Mr. Hudson stated that a pre-bid conference was recently held on Project No. 2020-102, Airline Drive Overlay–Parish Limits to Kingston Road, and bids will be taken on May 26, 2020.

Mr. Hudson stated that contracts have been executed on Project 2019-132, West Linton Road Extension to Fairburn Avenue, and a Notice to Proceed is scheduled for June 1, 2020.

Mr. Hudson stated that the contract for Project No. 2019-112, Relocation of Swan Lake Road at Flat River Bridge, has been executed.

Mr. Hudson stated that work is nearing completion on the FY 2018 LCDBG Sewer System Improvements - Oak Hill Mobile Home Park. He also stated that work is continuing on the FY 2019 LCDBG Sewer Improvements - Merrywoods Subdivision.

Mr. Hudson stated that work has resumed on the Swan Lake Road Bridge at Poole Road Project due to good weather.

Mr. Hudson stated that at the May 6, 2020, police jury meeting, he was requested to look into complaints received from parish residents due to drainage issues being caused by construction of subdivisions located in the Town

of Haughton. He stated that the detention pond pipes are not the correct size, and the Town of Haughton is making sure that this is corrected as soon as possible.

Mr. Hudson reported that Mr. Ford has been able to secure \$32 million, which is an increase from the original \$25 million that was awarded, from the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

Mr. Hudson requested that a Road/Subdivision Regulations Committee meeting be scheduled for June 3, 2020, time to be determined.

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

Mr. Marsiglia asked if any contact has been made with AT&T regarding the culvert on Bobby Byrd Road. Mr. Coutee stated that he has not contacted AT&T as of this date but will speak with Mr. Ford to further discuss this matter.

Mr. Warren Saucier, Parks and Recreation Director, presented an update on activities at parks throughout Bossier Parish. He stated that mowing has resumed at the parks due to good weather.

Mr. Marsiglia stated that he is concerned with the lack of internet service for Bossier Parish residents and requested that this matter be a priority of the police jury. Mr. Cochran requested that Mr. Jackson meet with the new police jurors to provide them with the parish's past and present efforts to resolve the issues of internet services in Bossier Parish.

Mr. Jackson stated that in order to provide the citizens with accurate information pertaining to internet services, certain people will need to be present, but due to travel restraints as a result of the COVID-19 health crisis, he is unsure when they would be able to be present at a police jury meeting. He stated he wants to ensure that the police jurors are provided the most current and accurate information to provide to their constituents.

Mr. Cochran stated that immediately following the meeting, a 15 to 30-minute meeting will be held in the conference room to further discuss this matter.

Finance Committee Meeting – May 20, 2020, 2:00 p.m.

The Finance Committee of the Bossier Parish Police Jury met on this 20th day of May, 2020, at 2:00 p.m., in the Police Jury Meeting Room, Bossier Parish Courthouse, Benton, Louisiana, with all police jurors attending in person or via video teleconferencing.

Motion was made by Mr. Marsiglia, seconded by Mr. Rodgers, to approve payment of accounts payable invoices for the month of April, 2020.

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

Mr. Altimus presented a request from the City of Bossier City for an expenditure of funds in an amount not to exceed \$7,500.00 from the Industrial Development Fund for the installation of a new fire hydrant on Marlana Street near the EDKO, LLC, facility in the Viking Drive Industrial Park. He stated that there is a gap in fire hydrant spacing on Marlana Street, and an additional fire hydrant will provide better protection for EDKO, LLC, as well as any future development in the area.

Motion was made by Mr. Rimmer, seconded by Mr. Marsiglia, to authorize an expenditure of funds from the Industrial Development Fund for installation of a fire hydrant on Marlana Street near the EDKO, LLC, facility located in the Viking Drive Industrial Park.

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

The Finance Committee meeting was adjourned by the Chairman.

There being no further business to come before the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 20th day of May, 2020, the meeting was adjourned by the President at 3:31 p.m.

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