

BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY
BENTON, LOUISIANA
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The Bossier Parish Police Jury met in regular and legal session on the 6th day of October, 2021, at 2:00 p.m., in the Police Jury Meeting Room, Bossier Parish Courthouse, Benton, Louisiana. The President, Mr. Jerome Darby, called the meeting to order. The invocation was given by Mr. Charles Gray, and the pledge of allegiance was led by Mr. Glenn Benton. Ms. Rachel Hauser, Parish Secretary, called the roll, with all members present as follows:

Mr. Glenn Benton	Mr. Chris Marsiglia
Mr. Bob Brotherton	Ms. Julianna Parks
Mr. Jimmy Cochran	Mr. Mac Plummer
Mr. Jerome Darby	Mr. Doug Rimmer
Mr. Charles Gray	Mr. Philip Rodgers
Mr. John Ed Jordan	Mr. Tom Salzer

Others present were Mr. William R. 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. Plummer, to adopt the minutes of the August 4, 2021, August 18, 2021, September 1, 2021, and September 15, 2021, regular meetings, and the August 18, 2021, and September 15, 2021, Finance Committee meetings, all as published.

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

Mr. Kenneth Starnes, Section 8 Housing, presented the Section 8 Housing Annual Agency Plan, and requested approval. He provided additional information on services provided by Section 8 Housing and the number of vouchers available. He stated that currently there are no housing units available in Bossier Parish.

Mr. Starnes stated that New Orleans Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has asked if Bossier Parish would be willing to give preference to Hurricane Ida evacuees who do not have vouchers. He stated that currently, Bossier Parish HUD has a waiting list of more than 200 people needing homes.

After further discussion, it was recommended that no preference would be given to Hurricane Ida evacuees and Bossier Parish citizens will be priority.

There was additional discussion on the need for additional apartment housing in Bossier Parish to serve as low-income housing.

Mr. Salzer requested an update on the Outreach Specialist for Northwest and Northcentral Louisiana for U.S. Treasury Emergency Rental Assistance Program that was presented to the public earlier this year. Mr. Starnes stated that a meeting was held at his facility for Bossier Parish citizens to meet with representatives from the firm handling this program, but it was not well attended. He stated that he assisted with providing the information on the emergency rental assistance program to Bossier Parish citizens, but this program is administered by a firm out of Baton Rouge, LA, and he does not have any information on how many Bossier Parish citizens signed up for assistance.

Mr. Starnes provided information on the amount Section 8 Housing subsidizes for rental assistance.

After further discussion, **motion was made by Mr. Rimmer, seconded by Mr. Plummer, to approve the Section 8 Housing Annual Agency Plan, as presented.**

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

Mr. Hudson stated that Prevot Design Services recommends that the low bid of Boggs and Poole Contracting Group, Inc., in the amount of \$9,267,001.00, be accepted for Project No. 2021-129, Bossier Parish Libraries, New Central Library. The Designer's Estimate for this project is \$9,750,000.00.

Motion was made by Mr. Brotherton, seconded by Mr. Gray, to award the bid for Project No. 2021-129, Bossier Parish Libraries, New Central Library, in the amount of \$9,267,001.00, to Boggs and Poole Contracting Group, Inc., low bidder meeting bid specifications in accordance with bids received September 21, 2021, and to authorize the Parish Administrator, Parish President, and/or Director of Libraries, to execute documents.

The President called for public comment. There being none, **votes were cast, and the motion carried unanimously.** Bid results are as follows:

Bidder:	Bid Amount:
Boggs and Poole Contracting Group, Inc.	\$ 9,267,001.00
Brown Builders, Inc.	\$ 9,348,000.00
ELA Group, Inc.	\$10,024,600.00
Testament Construction Services, LLC	\$ 9,564,800.00

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 6th day of October, 2021, that it does hereby award the bid for Project No. 2021-129, Bossier Parish Libraries, New Central Library, in the amount of \$9,267,001.00 to Boggs and Poole Contracting Group, Inc., low bidder meeting bid specifications in accordance with bids received on September 21, 2021.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Parish Administrator, Parish President, and/or Director of Libraries is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents related to same.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Brotherton, seconded by Mr. Gray. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 6th day of October, 2021.

RACHEL D. HAUSER
PARISH SECRETARY

JEROME DARBY, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Mr. Hudson recommended that the low bid of Benton & Brown, LLC, in the amount of \$224,375.00, be accepted for Project No. 2021-132, Bellevue Road Improvements. The Designer’s Estimate for this project is \$233,000.00.

Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Jorden, to award the bid for Project No. 2021-132, Bellevue Road Improvements, in the amount of \$224,375.00, to Benton & Brown, LLC, low bidder meeting bid specifications in accordance with bids received September 29, 2021, and to authorize the execution of documents.

The President called for public comment. There being none, **votes were cast, and the motion carried unanimously.** Bid results are as follows:

Bidder:	Bid Amount:
Benton & Brown, LLC	\$224,375.00
Earnest Contracting, LLC	\$252,262.50

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 6th day of October, 2021, that it does hereby award the bid for Project No. 2021-132, Bellevue Road Improvements, in the amount of \$224,375.00 to Benton & Brown, LLC, low bidder meeting bid specifications in accordance with bids received on September 29, 2021.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Parish Administrator or Parish President is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents related to same.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Jorden. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 6th day of October, 2021.

RACHEL D. HAUSER
PARISH SECRETARY

JEROME DARBY, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Mr. Hudson stated that Volkert, Inc., recommends that the low bid of Earnest Contracting, LLC, in the amount of \$673,424.00, be accepted for Project No. 2021-115, Proposed Street Improvements, DR 4263 PW 910 Paved Roads, Task Order No. 3. The Designer’s Estimate for this project is \$750,000.00.

Motion was made by Mr. Brotherton, seconded by Mr. Jorden, to award the bid for Project No. 2021-115, Proposed Street Improvements, DR 4263 PW 910 Paved Roads, Task Order No. 3, in the amount of \$673,424.00, to Earnest Contracting, LLC, low bidder meeting bid specifications in accordance with bids received October 5, 2021, and to authorize the execution of documents.

The President called for public comment. There being none, **votes were cast, and the motion carried unanimously.** Bid results are as follows:

Bidder:	Bid Amount:
Earnest Contracting, LLC	\$673,424.00
Benton & Brown, LLC	\$689,197.50

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 6th day of October, 2021, that it does hereby award the bid for Project No. 2021-115, Proposed Street Improvements, DR 4263 PW 910 Paved Roads, Task Order No. 3, in the amount of \$673,424.00 to Earnest Contracting, LLC, low bidder meeting bid specifications in accordance with bids received on October 5, 2021.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Parish Administrator or Parish President is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents related to same.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Brotherton, seconded by Mr. Jorden. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 6th day of October, 2021.

RACHEL D. HAUSER
PARISH SECRETARY

JEROME DARBY, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Mr. Hudson stated that Volkert, Inc., recommends that the low bid of Earnest Contracting, LLC, in the amount of \$641,977.50, be accepted for Project No. 2021-117, Proposed Street Improvements, DR 4263 PW 910 Paved Roads, Task Order No. 5. The Designer’s Estimate for this project is \$685,000.00.

Motion was made by Mr. Rimmer, seconded by Mr. Gray, to award the bid for Project No. 2021-117, Proposed Street Improvements, DR 4263 PW 910 Paved Roads, Task Order No. 5, in the amount of \$641,977.50, to Earnest Contracting, LLC, low bidder meeting bid specifications in accordance with bids received September 30, 2021, and to authorize the execution of documents.

The President called for public comment. There being none, **votes were cast, and the motion carried unanimously.** Bid results are as follows:

Bidder:	Bid Amount:
Earnest Contracting, LLC	\$641,977.50
Benton & Brown, LLC	\$1,042,647.75

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 6th day of October, 2021, that it does hereby award the bid for Project No. 2021-117, Proposed Street Improvements, DR 4263 PW 910 Paved Roads, Task Order No. 5, in the amount of \$641,977.50 to Earnest Contracting, LLC, low bidder meeting bid specifications in accordance with bids received on September 30, 2021.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Parish Administrator or Parish President is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents related to same.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Rimmer, seconded by Mr. Gray. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 6th day of October, 2021.

RACHEL D. HAUSER
PARISH SECRETARY

JEROME DARBY, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Mr. Hudson stated that Civil Design Group, LLC, recommends that the low bid of Earnest Contracting, LLC, in the amount of \$740,522.00, be accepted for Project No. 2021-107, Louisiana State Highway 3 (Benton Road) Turn Lane Extensions at I-220. The Designer's Estimate for this project is \$698,830.02. He stated that this project is a joint project with the City of Bossier City to improve the capacity on LA Highway 3 (Benton Road) at I-220, and the cost of the project will be shared equally.

Motion was made by Mr. Marsiglia, seconded by Mr. Plummer, to award the bid for Project No. 2021-107, Louisiana State Highway 3 (Benton Road) Turn Lane Extensions at I-220, in the amount of \$740,522.00, to Earnest Contracting, LLC, low bidder meeting bid specifications in accordance with bids received October 5, 2021, and to authorize the execution of documents.

The President called for public comment. There being none, **votes were cast, and the motion carried unanimously.** Bid results are as follows:

Bidder:	Bid Amount:
Earnest Contracting, LLC	\$740,522.00
CW&W Contractors, Inc.	\$811,045.92

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 6th day of October, 2021, that it does hereby award the bid for Project No. 2021-107, Louisiana State Highway 3 (Benton Road) Turn Lane Extensions at I-220, in the amount of \$740,522.00, to Earnest Contracting, LLC, low bidder meeting bid specifications in accordance with bids received on October 5, 2021.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Parish Administrator or Parish President is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents related to same.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Marsiglia, seconded by Mr. Plummer. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 6th day of October, 2021.

RACHEL D. HAUSER
PARISH SECRETARY

JEROME DARBY, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Mr. Hudson advised that the Selection Committee has recommended acceptance of the proposal of Volkert, Inc., for Engineering and Related Services on behalf of Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District No. 1 of the Parish of Bossier for Reconstruction or Rehabilitating Sewer Mains in Merrywoods Subdivision.

Mr. Hudson provided additional information on the proposed project.

Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Brotherton, to accept the recommendation of the Selection Committee to accept the proposal of Volkert, Inc., for Engineering and Related Services on behalf of Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District No. 1 of the Parish of Bossier for Reconstruction or Rehabilitating Sewer Mains in Merrywoods Subdivision in accordance with proposals received September 22, 2021, 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 6th day of October, 2021, that the Parish Administrator or Parish 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 Volkert, Inc., for Engineering and Related Services on behalf of Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District No. 1 of the Parish of Bossier for Reconstruction or Rehabilitating Sewer Mains in Merrywoods Subdivision.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Brotherton. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 6th day of October, 2021.

RACHEL D. HAUSER
PARISH SECRETARY

JEROME DARBY, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Mr. Hudson advised that the Selection Committee has recommended acceptance of the proposal of Volkert, Inc., for Engineering and Related Services on behalf of Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District No. 1 of the Parish of Bossier for Extension of Sewer Collection System along Highway 80 - East past Highway 157.

Mr. Hudson provided additional information on the proposed project.

Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Brotherton, to accept the recommendation of the Selection Committee to accept the proposal of Volkert, Inc., for Engineering and Related Services on behalf of Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District No. 1 of the Parish of Bossier for Extension of Sewer Collection System along Highway 80 - East past Highway 157 in accordance with proposals received September 22, 2021, 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 6th day of October, 2021, that the Parish Administrator or Parish 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 Volkert, Inc., for Engineering and Related Services on behalf of Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District No. 1 of the Parish of Bossier for Extension of Sewer Collection System along Highway 80 - East past Highway 157.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Brotherton. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 6th day of October, 2021.

RACHEL D. HAUSER
PARISH SECRETARY

JEROME DARBY, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Mr. Hudson advised that the Selection Committee has recommended acceptance of the proposal of Volkert, Inc., for Engineering and Related Services on behalf of Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District No. 1 of the Parish of Bossier for Tying Magnolia Chase Subdivision Collection System to the Parish Collection System on Highway 3.

Mr. Hudson provided additional information on the proposed project.

Motion was made by Mr. Rodgers, seconded by Mr. Plummer, to accept the recommendation of the Selection Committee to accept the proposal of Volkert, Inc., for Engineering and Related Services on behalf of Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District No. 1 of the Parish of Bossier for Tying Magnolia Chase Subdivision Collection System to the Parish Collection System on Highway 3, in accordance with proposals received September 22, 2021, 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 6th day of October, 2021, that the Parish Administrator or Parish 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 Volkert, Inc., for Engineering and Related Services on behalf of Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District No. 1 of the Parish of Bossier for Tying Magnolia Chase Subdivision Collection System to the Parish Collection System on Highway 3.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Rodgers, seconded by Mr. Plummer. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 6th day of October, 2021.

RACHEL D. HAUSER
PARISH SECRETARY

JEROME DARBY, PRESIDENT
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Ms. Hauser announced the public hearing to consider approval of the Site Plan for Swan Lake Commercial Subdivision, Unit No. 2, being a resubdivision of Swan Lake Commercial Subdivision, Unit No. 1, located in Section 26, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA. (Located on the corner of Swan Lake Road and Duckwater Landing) This matter was tabled on September 1, 2021.

Mr. Hudson stated that the results from the traffic study have not been received and recommended that this matter be tabled to be considered at the October 20, 2021, regular meeting.

Motion was made by Ms. Parks, seconded by Mr. Marsiglia, to table the public hearing to consider approval of the Site Plan for Swan Lake Commercial Subdivision, Unit No. 2, being a resubdivision of Swan Lake Commercial Subdivision, Unit No. 1, located in Section 26, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA. (Located on the corner of Swan Lake Road and Duckwater Landing) to be considered at the October 20, 2021, regular meeting.

Votes were cast, and the motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Hauser announced the public hearing to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development of Rainwater Subdivision, located in Section 18, Township 19 North, Range 11 West, Bossier Parish, LA. (Located on Campbell Road) This matter was tabled on September 15, 2021.

Mr. Hudson stated that Mr. Rainwater has agreed to retain the services of a contractor to construct a roadway to be built to parish road standards, which will be an extension of Campbell Road, for access to proposed Lots 4, 5 and 6. He stated that no building permits will be issued for Lots 4, 5, and 6, until the roadway is constructed and dedicated to the parish.

There being no objection, **motion was made by Mr. Jorden, seconded by Mr. Rimmer, to approve the plat of the proposed development of Rainwater Subdivision, located in Section 18, Township 19 North, Range 11 West, Bossier Parish, LA, (Located on Campbell Road), with the stipulation that no building permits will be issued for Lots 4, 5, and 6, until a roadway is constructed to parish road standards and dedicated to the Parish.**

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

Motion was made by Ms. Parks, seconded by Mr. Plummer, to schedule a public hearing on November 3, 2021, to consider the application of Sanjeev Wahi 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 convenience store located in Section 26, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA. (Located on the southwest corner of Swan Lake Road and Duckwater Landing)

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

Motion was made by Mr. Rodgers, seconded by Mr. Marsiglia, to schedule a public hearing on November 3, 2021, to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development of Turtle Creek Subdivision, Unit No. 3, located in Sections 2 and 11, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA. (Located off West Lakeshore Drive behind Turtle Creek Subdivision, Unit No. 2)

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

Motion was made by Ms. Parks, seconded by Mr. Rodgers, to schedule a public hearing on November 17, 2021, to consider the application of Christian S. Mudd, Pine Ridge Investments, to the Bossier City-Parish Metropolitan Planning Commission for a zoning amendment to change the zoning classification of a certain tract of land being .899 acres, located in Section 26, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA, from B-1, Business, Commercial Office District, to B-2, Limited Business District. (Located at the northwest corner of Swan Lake Road and Duckwater Landing)

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

Ms. Carlotta Askew-Brown, Benton-Parish Metropolitan Planning Commission provided the police jury with information pertaining to their application to the police jury to consider adoption of a resolution approving the adoption of Future Land Use Maps and Text for the Town of Benton and the five-mile unincorporated area of the Parish as a guide for future growth decisions within the Benton-Parish Metropolitan Planning Commission jurisdiction. She stated that the law office of Neil Erwin was retained to assist with creation of a future land use plan/masterplan for the Benton area.

Ms. Askew-Brown stated that the proposed land use masterplan will help guide zoning decisions in the future. She stated that meetings have been held with the police jury, Town of Benton, and the citizens in the jurisdiction to obtain input for this land use plan/masterplan.

Ms. Patricia A. Doane, Code Author, Planner, & Cartographer, Neil Erwin Law, LLC, was present.

Motion was made by Mr. Rodgers, seconded by Mr. Cochran, to schedule a public hearing on November 17, 2021, to consider the application of the Benton-Parish Metropolitan Planning Commission, to consider adoption of a resolution approving the adoption of Future Land Use Maps and Text for the Town of Benton and the five-mile unincorporated area of the Parish as a guide for future growth decisions within the Benton-Parish Metropolitan Planning Commission jurisdiction.

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

Mr. David Ghormley, Property Standards Officer, presented photographs of property located at 308 Pease Road, Haughton, LA, Tax Assessment No. 149484. He stated that due to medical reasons, the property owner has requested an additional extension of time in order to complete the cleanup of the property. He further stated that there has been some effort to clean the property.

Mr. Ghormley recommended that the property owner be granted a 30-day extension to complete clean-up of the property, with this being the last extension.

After further discussion, **motion was made by Mr. Jorden, seconded by Mr. Rimmer, to allow the owner of 308 Pease Road, Haughton, LA, Tax Assessment No. 149484, additional time in which to bring the property into compliance with property standards regulations.**

The President called for public comment. There being none, **votes were cast, and the motion carried unanimously.** The matter will be reviewed at the November 17, 2021, regular meeting.

Mr. David Ghormley, Property Standards Officer, presented photographs of property located at 5273 Dixon Street, Bossier City, LA, Tax Assessment No. 102561. He stated that the property owner was previously granted a 30-day extension due to COVID-19, but there has been very little progress cleaning the property, and there has been no contact with the property owner.

Mr. Ghormley stated that the property does present an imminent threat to public health and safety and recommended that the property be condemned.

After further discussion, **motion was made by Ms. Parks, seconded by Mr. Rodgers, to condemn property located at 5273 Dixon Street, Bossier City, LA, Tax Assessment No. 102561, in accordance with property standards regulations.**

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

Mr. Benton, Chairman of the Road/Subdivision Regulations Committee, reported on the meeting of that committee held today at 12:00 p.m. Committee members attending the Road/Subdivision Regulations Committee meeting were Mr. Benton, Mr. Marsiglia, Mr. Brotherton, Mr. Jorden, Mr. Plummer, Mr. Rimmer, and Mr. Rodgers. Mr. Daniel Besinaiz, Ms. Carlotta Askew-Brown, Mr. Sam Marsiglia, Mr. Altimus, Mr. Jackson, Mr. Ford, Mr. Pat Culverhouse, Mr. Mark Coutee, Mr. Hudson, Ms. Julie Gill, Mr. Kelly Wells, Ms. Stacy Brown, Sergeant Major Stuckey, Captain Cash, and Ms. Hauser were also present. Other jurors present were Mr. Salzer, Mr. Darby, Mr. Cochran, and Ms. Parks.

Mr. Benton stated that the committee discussed open ditches in subdivisions. He stated that the developer of Faith Estates Subdivision has installed several driveways with no culverts. The committee recommended that Mr. Ford and Mr. Hudson schedule a meeting with the developer to discuss this matter further.

Mr. Benton stated that Mr. Kelly Wells, Shreveport-Bossier Sports Commission, and Ms. Stacy Brown, Shreveport-Bossier Convention and Tourist Bureau, were present at the Road/Subdivision Regulations Committee, as well as representative from Camp Minden to discuss the archery site that will be located at Camp Minden. He stated that the Archery Shooter's Association (ASA) will be hosting archery competitions at Camp Minden beginning next year.

Mr. Benton provided additional information on the positive economic impact that the archery competitions will create for this area. He stated that ASA has made a 10-year commitment to host the archery competitions at Camp Minden and it is anticipated that these events will create an approximate \$3 million yearly economic impact.

Mr. Benton stated that it is the recommendation of the Road/Subdivision Regulations Committee to approve an expenditure of funds in the amount of \$3,000.00 to spray vegetation killer at the archery site at Camp Minden. **Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Plummer, to accept the recommendation of the Road/Subdivision Regulations Committee to approve an expenditure of funds in the amount of \$3,000.00 to spray vegetation killer at the archery site at Camp Minden.**

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

Mr. Benton stated that the Shreveport-Bossier Convention and Tourist Bureau has received a \$1,500.00 grant to place picnic tables at the Plain Dealing Lake Park.

Ms. Stacy Brown, Shreveport-Bossier Convention and Tourist Bureau, expressed appreciation to the police jury for its partnership and willingness to work with them on projects. She recognized Captain Cash and Sergeant Major Stucky from Camp Minden, and Mr. Kelly Wells, Shreveport-Bossier Sports Commission, as being present. She stated that the partnership with Camp Minden and ASA will greatly benefit the community. Ms. Brown stated that the archery site at Camp Minden also serves as a staging site for emergency equipment during a weather event and improvements are needed to that site. She stated that the parish providing equipment and labor to spread millings that are located at the site will be greatly appreciated.

Ms. Brown provided additional information on the archery events and the economic impact these events will have on Bossier Parish.

Ms. Brown advised that the National Scenic Byway Foundation and Toyota Motor North America awarded the Shreveport-Bossier Convention and Tourist Bureau with a Love Our Byways – Conservation and Beautification Grant in the amount of \$1,500.00. She stated that the grant will honor new picnic table installations at two local parks along Louisiana’s National Scenic Boom or Bust Byway, Robert L. Nance Park in Hosston and Plain Dealing Lake Park in Plain Dealing. She further stated that each park will receive four new picnic tables. She expressed appreciation to the police jury for assisting with the placement of the picnic tables at Plain Dealing Lake Park. Ms. Brown provided additional information on improvements at the park.

Mr. Wells introduced Sergeant Major Stucky and Captain Cash, and expressed appreciation to Sergeant Major Stucky for his support in bringing the archery event to Camp Minden. Sergeant Major Stucky expressed appreciation to the police jury for its support on this project and improvements to the emergency staging area at Camp Minden.

Mr. Darby expressed appreciation to all parties that are assisting with the archery project at Camp Minden.

Mr. Rimmer, Chairman of the Policy and Procedures Committee, reported on the meeting of that committee held today at 1:00 p.m. Committee members attending the Policy and Procedures Committee meeting were Mr. Rimmer, Mr. Darby, Mr. Gray, Mr. Plummer, Mr. Marsiglia, and Mr. Benton. Mr. Altimus, Mr. Hudson, Mr. Pat Culverhouse, Mr. Jackson, Mr. Jack Skaggs, Ms. Julie Gill, Mr. Sam Marsiglia, Mr. Jim Firth, Ms. Lisa Wilson, and Ms. Hauser were also present. Other jurors present were Mr. Brotherton, Mr. Salzer, Mr. Jordan, Mr. Rodgers, Mr. Cochran, and Ms. Parks.

Mr. Rimmer stated that the Policy and Procedures Committee discussed a proposed Bossier Parish Vehicle Policy and Agreement to be implemented for leased vehicles, and discussed proposed amendments to 530 Use of Equipment and Vehicles and Search Policy of the Bossier Parish Police Jury Policy and Procedures Manual.

Motion was made by Mr. Plummer, seconded by Mr. Salzer, to approve the following applications for renewal of Bossier Parish beer/liquor licenses for the year 2022.

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

Brookshires Food Store #57 – Beer and Liquor
 Countryside Exxon – Beer and Liquor
 Four Way Country Club – Beer and Liquor
 Four Way Country Store – Beer and Liquor
 Red River Casino – Beer and Liquor
 Willow Chute Grocery – Beer and Liquor

Motion was made by Mr. Plummer, seconded by Mr. Gray, to approve the following application for renewal of Bossier Parish beer/liquor licenses for the year 2022, subject to approval by the health department.

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

Brooks Lakeview Inn – Beer only
 Green Park Café – Beer and Liquor
 Houghton Country Store – Beer and Liquor
 Neighbors – Beer and Liquor

Motion was made by Mr. Rodgers, seconded by Mr. Marsiglia, to approve the Certificate of Substantial Completion for Project No. 2021-110, Belmere Subdivision Entrance Improvements Project, 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 6th day of October, 2021, that it does hereby approve the Certificate of Substantial Completion for Project No. 2021-110, Belmere Subdivision Entrance Improvements Project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Parish Administrator or Parish President be and is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents in connection with said Certificate of Substantial Completion.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Rodgers, seconded by Mr. Marsiglia. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 6th day of October, 2021.

RACHEL D. HAUSER
 PARISH SECRETARY

JEROME DARBY, PRESIDENT
 BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Motion was made by Ms. Parks, seconded by Mr. Marsiglia, to adopt a resolution accepting State Project No. H.003854, FAP No. 0806504, entitled Bossier North-South Corridor Swan Lake Road (I-220 to Flat River),

Bossier Parish, Louisiana, as satisfactorily completed in accordance with the contract with Best Yet Builders, LLC, 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

A RESOLUTION OF FINAL ACCEPTANCE OF STATE PROJECT NO. H.003854, FEDERAL AID PROJECT NO. 0806504, REGARDING BOSSIER NORTH-SOUTH CORRIDOR SWAN LAKE ROAD (I-220 TO FLAT RIVER), AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO

WHEREAS, a final inspection of State Project No. H.003854, FAP No. 0806504, entitled Bossier North-South Corridor Swan Lake Road (I-220 to Flat River), Bossier Parish, Louisiana, was made on July 28, 2021; and

WHEREAS, all phases of work under the contract with Best Yet Builders, LLC, concerning the State Project No. H.003854, FAP No. 0806504, entitled Bossier North-South Corridor Swan Lake Road (I-220 to Flat River), Bossier Parish, Louisiana, is final; and

WHEREAS, the State of Louisiana requires a resolution of completion, satisfaction, and acceptance of said work by the Bossier Parish Police Jury; and

WHEREAS, Bossier Parish will maintain the Bossier North-South Corridor Swan Lake Road (I-220 to Flat River).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session convened, that the Bossier Parish Police Jury does hereby accept the State Project No. H.003854, FAP No. 0806504, entitled Bossier North-South Corridor Swan Lake Road (I-220 to Flat River), Bossier Parish, Louisiana, as satisfactorily completed in accordance with the contract with Best Yet Builders, LLC.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Bossier Parish will now maintain the work of the project.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Parish Administrator and Parish President or his designated representative for the Parish of Bossier is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents pertaining to the final acceptance of this project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if any provision or item of this resolution or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items or applications which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, items, or applications, and to this end, the provisions of this resolution are hereby declared severable.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution shall take effect immediately.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all resolutions or parts hereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

The resolution was offered by Ms. Parks, seconded by Mr. Marsiglia. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 6th day of October, 2021.

RACHEL D. HAUSER
PARISH SECRETARY

JEROME DARBY, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Mr. Hudson presented a request from Brookshire Grocery Company for the parish to abandon an Access and Maintenance Agreement recorded on February 27, 2013, as Instrument No. 1067231.5 in the Office of the Clerk of Court, Bossier Parish, Louisiana. He stated that this is a tract of land located off Airline Drive at Wemple Road in Section 33, Township 19 North, Range 13 West. He further stated that this tract of land has been annexed into the city limits of the City of Bossier City and the city will be taking over maintenance of this drainage ditch.

Mr. Hudson requested approval of abandonment of an Access and Maintenance Agreement as presented above pertaining to maintenance of an existing drainage ditch on the tract of land as shown on the plat of the proposed development of BGC Commercial Subdivision.

Motion was made by Mr. Cochran, seconded by Mr. Salzer, to approve abandonment of an Access and Maintenance Agreement recorded on February 27, 2013, as Instrument No. 1067231.5 in the Office of the Clerk of Court, Bossier Parish, Louisiana, pertaining to maintenance of an existing drainage ditch on the tract of land as shown on the plat of the proposed development of BGC Commercial Subdivision.

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

Mr. Jackson stated that in 1991 the Legislature passed a Safe School Act, LA R.S. 14.95.6, and in that Act, it directs any zoning authority to create firearm-free zone maps. He stated that a recent request was made for a copy of parish firearm-free zone maps. He further stated that proposed firearm-free zone maps have recently been created to assist individuals who are attempting to abide by the state statute.

Mr. Jackson stated that the firearm-free zone maps as referenced by the statute creates questions regarding the actual area included in a school campus firearm-free zoned area. He recommended that an Attorney General's Opinion be requested for a clear definition of a school campus as it relates to a Firearm-free zone as referenced in LA R.S. 14-95.6. He stated that this particular provisional law mandates a 1,000-foot buffer zone around all school campuses. Mr. Jackson stated that there is no clear definition of a school campus which creates questions as to whether the school parking lot, football fields, school board owned property, etc., are defined as being part of the "school campus" as referenced in LA R.S. 14-95.6.

After further discussion, **motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Plummer, to request an Attorney General's Opinion pertaining to LA R.S. 14-95.6 – Firearm-free zone; notice; signs; crime; penalties, 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 6th day of October, 2021, that the Parish Administrator, Parish President, or Parish Attorney, be and is hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the Bossier Parish Police Jury, any and all documents in connection with a request for an Attorney General's Opinion pertaining to LA R.S. 14-95.6 – Firearm-free zone; notice; signs; crime; penalties.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Plummer. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 6th day of October, 2021.

RACHEL D. HAUSER
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Mr. Jackson stated that in 2017, the police jury authorized hiring several law firms for the purpose of providing services related to damages sustained by the abuse of opioids. He stated that Louisiana has faced devastation as a result of the opioid abuse crisis.

Mr. Jackson stated that a preliminary national settlement has been reached with four (4) primary defendants, and as a result of a partial settlement, the State of Louisiana will be receiving \$350 million. He stated that Bossier Parish will be receiving 1.83 percent of the \$350 million being \$6.4 million which will be paid out over 18 years.

Mr. Jackson provided additional information on this matter and recommended approval of the proposed partial settlement for Bossier Parish with the four (4) defendants.

Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Cochran, to adopt a resolution authorizing the Parish of Bossier to join with the State of Louisiana and other local governmental units as a participant in the Louisiana State-Local Government Opioid Litigation Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) and any other subsequent Formal Agreements necessary to implement the MOU, including but not limited to, the Subdivision Settlement Participation Form(s) of the Distributor Settlement Agreement and Janssen Settlement Agreement, 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

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PARISH OF BOSSIER (HEREIN REFERRED TO AS THIS "GOVERNMENTAL UNIT") TO JOIN WITH THE STATE OF LOUISIANA AND OTHER LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNITS AS A PARTICIPANT IN THE LOUISIANA STATE-LOCAL GOVERNMENT OPIOID LITIGATION MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (THE "MOU") AND ANY SUBSEQUENT FORMAL AGREEMENTS NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THE MOU, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO, THE SUBDIVISION SETTLEMENT PARTICIPATION FORM(S) IN EXHIBIT K OF THE DISTRIBUTOR SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT AND THE JANSSEN SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

WHEREAS, the Parish of Bossier has suffered harm from the opioid epidemic;

WHEREAS, the Parish of Bossier recognizes that the entire State of Louisiana has suffered harm as a result from the opioid epidemic;

WHEREAS, the State of Louisiana has a pending action in state court, and a number of Louisiana Cities and Parishes have also filed an action In re: National Prescription Opiate Litigation, MDL No. 2804 (N.D. Ohio) (the "Opioid Litigation") and the Parish of Bossier is a litigating participant in that action;

WHEREAS, the State of Louisiana and lawyers representing certain various local governments involved in the Opioid Litigation have proposed a unified plan for the allocation and use of prospective settlement dollars from opioid related litigation;

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Memorandum of Understanding (the "MOU") sets forth a framework of a unified plan for the proposed allocation and use of opioid settlement proceeds and it is anticipated that formal agreements implementing the MOU will be entered into at a future date; and,

WHEREAS, participation in the MOU by a large majority of Louisiana cities and parishes will materially increase the amount of funds to Louisiana and should improve Louisiana's relative bargaining position during additional settlement negotiations;

WHEREAS, failure to participate in the MOU will reduce funds available to the State, the Parish of Bossier, and every other Louisiana city and Parish;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THIS GOVERNMENTAL UNIT:

SECTION 1. That this Governmental Unit finds that participation in the MOU would be in the best interest of the Governmental Unit and its citizens in that such a plan ensures that almost all of the settlement funds go to abate and resolve the opioid epidemic and each and every City and Parish receives funds for the harm that it has suffered.

SECTION 2. That this Governmental Unit hereby expresses its support of a unified plan for the allocation and use of opioid settlement proceeds as generally described in the MOU, attached hereto as Exhibit "A."

SECTION 3. John F. Young is hereby expressly authorized to execute the MOU in substantially the form contained in Exhibit "A."

SECTION 4. That William Altimus is hereby authorized to execute any formal agreements implementing a unified plan for the allocation and use of opioid settlement proceeds that is not substantially inconsistent with the MOU and this Resolution, including, but not limited to the Subdivision Settlement Participation Form(s) in the Distributor Settlement Agreement and the Janssen Settlement Agreement.

SECTION 5. That the Clerk be and hereby is instructed to record this Resolution in the appropriate record book upon its adoption.

SECTION 6. The Clerk of this Governmental Unit is hereby directed to furnish a certified copy of this Ordinance/Resolution to:

Attorney General Jeff Landry
c/o Bill Stiles
Post Office Box 94005
Baton Rouge, LA 70804

SECTION 7. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Cochran. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 6th day of October, 2021.

RACHEL D. HAUSER
PARISH SECRETARY

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BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Mr. Altimus stated that the Celebrate Barksdale event is scheduled for October 15, 2021, beginning at 11:00 a.m. at Barksdale Air Force Base. He stated that the police jury is sponsoring this event, and requested that if any of the police jurors would like to attend to contact him.

Mr. Altimus stated that a mass flu shot event will be held October 15, 2021, between the hours of 12:00 p.m. and 4:30 p.m. for police jury employees in the police jury meeting room.

Mr. Altimus stated that the Bossier Parish Sheriff’s Office will be hosting the Peace Officer Memorial Event on October 13, 2021, on courthouse grounds on the east side of the courthouse beneath the oak trees.

Mr. Altimus reported that Dr. Loren C. Scott, Professor Emeritus of Economics at Louisiana State University, will be presenting his annual Louisiana Economic Outlook (L.E.O), Friday, October 8, 2021, at the Port of Caddo-Bossier. He encouraged the police jurors to attend.

Mr. Altimus reported that Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development will be letting a project on December 8, 2021, to patch/mill/overlay Highway 3 (Benton Road) from I-220 to Kingston Road. He provided additional information on this project and Project No. 2021-107, Louisiana State Highway 3 (Benton Road) Turn Lane Extensions at I-220.

Mr. Altimus provided information on several upcoming State projects. The upcoming State projects were discussed at length.

Mr. Hudson provided an update on DR 4263 PW 910 Paved Roads, Task Order Nos. 1 through 10.

Mr. Hudson provided an update on Project No. 2019-127, Realignment of Linton Road Bridge over Flat River and the Linton Road Bridge over Black Bayou projects.

Mr. Rodgers requested that an official statement be submitted to the public providing an update on the Linton Road Bridge over Black Bayou project. Mr. Hudson stated that he will work with Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development for an update to be provided to the public.

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

Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Salzer, to adjourn into executive session to discuss pending litigation, Docket No. C-165323 “Bossier Parish Police Jury versus Roy Gene Hicks, III, and Allstar Construction Cleanup & Hauling, LLC”. Members of the Bossier Parish engineering staff were requested to attend the executive session.

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

There being no further business to come before the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 6th day of October, 2021, the meeting was adjourned by the President at 3:18 p.m.

RACHEL D. HAUSER
PARISH SECRETARY

JEROME DARBY, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY