

BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY
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The Bossier Parish Police Jury met in regular and legal session on the 19th day of July, 2023, at 2:00 p.m., in the Police Jury Meeting Room, Bossier Parish Courthouse, Benton, Louisiana. The President, Mr. Doug Rimmer, called the meeting to order. The invocation was given by Mr. Charles Gray, and the pledge of allegiance was led by Mr. Philip Rodgers. Ms. Rachel Hauser, Parish Secretary, called the roll, with all members present as follows:

Mr. Glenn Benton	Mr. Chris Marsiglia
Mr. Bob Brotherton, Absent	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. Joe E. "Butch" Ford, Jr., Parish Administrator; Mr. Eric Hudson, Parish Engineer; Ms. Rachel Hauser, Parish Secretary.

Mr. Rimmer asked if anyone was present that would like to address the police jury to discuss an item that is currently not on the agenda. Ms. Jan Elkins, KTBS, requested to be added to the agenda as a visitor.

Motion was made by Mr. Salzer, seconded by Mr. Darby, to amend the agenda to add Ms. Jan Elkins, KTBS, to the agenda as a visitor.

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

YEAS:	Mr. Benton, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Darby, Mr. Gray, Mr. Jordan, Mr. Marsiglia, Ms. Parks, Mr. Plummer, Mr. Rimmer, Mr. Rodgers, Mr. Salzer
NAYS:	None
ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	Mr. Brotherton

Ms. Jan Elkins, KTBS, reported on the July 4th fireworks event held at South Bossier Park. She expressed appreciation to the police jury for its support for the last 14 years. She also expressed appreciation to all the volunteers that helped make this event a success.

Appreciation was extended to Ms. Elkins and KTBS for hosting the July 4th fireworks event each year.

Ms. Ginger Adam Corley, lobbyist, presented a report on the 2023 Regular Legislative Session. She stated that this was a physical session in nature and the session lasted two months. She stated that each legislature was allowed five general subject matter bills in addition to the unlimited physical bills.

Ms. Corley stated that the focus of the session was the expenditure limit and raising the cap. She stated that the State has seen unprecedented collections in a number of taxes and there has been a lot of federal monies as a result of COVID. She provided additional information on budget discussions.

Ms. Corley stated that one of the main interests to Bossier Parish is additional funds from the Water Sector Program. She stated that the State allocated \$40 million additional funds which creates an opportunity for Bossier Parish to apply for additional funding.

Ms. Corley stated that she and Mr. Ford had to appear before the Water Sector Committee on the existing project due to a scope change because one of the water systems backed out of allowing the police jury to purchase the water system. She stated that the Water Sector Committee did approve the scope change and there are strict deadlines that must be met for spending the funds.

Ms. Corley stated that \$1 million was granted to the Cyber Innovation Center for generator upgrades.

Ms. Corley stated that \$132 million was removed in House Bill 2 in Conference Committee on the Jimmie Davis Bridge. She stated that the administration and the delegation have assured her that they will find those funds to make the bridge a reality. She provided additional information on the Jimmie Davis Bridge project.

Ms. Corley stated that there were a number of bills that affect how government runs. She provided information on House Bill 597 that revises provisions relative to the Louisiana Fiscal Transparency Portal, also known as the Louisiana Checkbook. She stated that a request will be made that all local governments upload their financial statements each year to the States Louisiana Checkbook.

Ms. Corley provided information on House Bill 650 that revises the methods official journals use to calculate the cost of publication of proceedings on public notices by parishes, municipalities, and school boards.

Ms. Corley stated that there is a great deal of available funding for broadband. She encouraged the parish to apply for those available grants.

Ms. Corley expressed appreciation to Senator Robert Mills and Representative Raymond Crews for support of House Bill 87 that expands the jurisdictional boundaries of the Benton Metropolitan Planning Commission.

Ms. Corley stated that Representative Bagley and Representative McFarland introduced House Bill 277 to increase the amount of several tax revenues back to the parishes, but the bill did not pass.

Ms. Corley stated that Senator Mills established the North Louisiana Legislative Delegation in an effort to obtain additional support for northern Louisiana.

Ms. Corley stated that there are four constitutional amendments on the October 14, 2023, ballot and and four constitutional amendments on the November 18, 2023, ballot.

Ms. Corley expressed appreciation to the police jurors and the police jury staff. Appreciation was expressed to Ms. Corley and her continued efforts to represent Bossier Parish.

Mr. Rimmer stated that there are six candidates for appointment to the Cypress-Black Bayou Recreation and Water Conservation District Board of Commissioners for a five-year term, term to expire July 31, 2028. He stated that Mr. Rodney Madden could not be present due to being out of the country, but has submitted an interview via video.

Mr. Christopher Thomas Baker, 261 Old Palmetto Road, Benton, LA, stated that he has previously served on the Cypress-Black Bayou Recreation and Water Conservation District board as the Bossier Parish School Board appointee. He stated that he had to resign due to moving to Haughton, LA, but has now moved back to Benton, LA, and was encouraged by several people to seek appointment to the board if there was a vacancy.

Mr. Baker stated that the lakes and parks are very important to this area.

Mr. Robert Berry, 125 Carondelet Court, Bossier City, LA, stated that the police jury appointed him as its appointee on the Cypress-Black Bayou Recreation and Water Conservation District board in 2011. He stated that he was appointed as Interim Director of the Cypress-Black Bayou Recreation and Water Conservation District in 2013. Mr. Berry stated that the board has worked very hard over the years to improve Cypress Black Bayou Park and the boat launches to encourage use of the park and lakes.

Mr. Berry stated that the board cut approximately \$500,000.00 in the budget the first year he began serving as Interim Director in an effort to get the budget under control. He provided additional information on the board's efforts to save money at the park.

Mr. Berry stated that budget cuts in an approximate amount of \$42 million have been made by the State on state parks and lakes that would have been used to refurbish and improve state parks, lakes, and museums. He discussed this matter further.

Mr. Peter Andy Modica, 818 W. Lakeshore Drive, Benton, LA, stated that he applied for the vacancy on the board due to the negative publicity that is ongoing with the Cypress-Black Bayou Recreation and Water Conservation District board. He stated that he would like to be a part of assisting with making improvements with the Cypress-Black Bayou Recreation and Water Conservation District board and at the park.

Mr. Modica stated that he has already been advised that he will not be selected for this appointment, but wanted to be present and request that the board appointment be someone that lives on the lake and cares about the lake and wants to make a difference at the park.

Mr. Gray asked how Mr. Modica felt about being told that he would not be appointed and asked if he felt he had a fair chance to be appointed on the board. Mr. Modica stated that he knows he will not be appointed and that the decision on this appointment has already been made.

Ms. Parks asked who advised Mr. Modica that he would not be appointed and that the decision had already been made for the appointment. Mr. Modica stated that he is sure that the person who told him that does not want to be identified. Ms. Parks asked Mr. Modica if he currently serves as a police jury appointee on another board. Mr. Modica stated that he does serve as a police jury appointee on another board. Ms. Parks asked if Mr. Modica's appointment to the other board had already decided before he came before the police jury for that appointment. Mr. Modica stated that he does not believe the decision was made prior to his appointment.

Mr. Rimmer asked Mr. Modica what board he is currently serving on. Mr. Modica stated that he currently services as the Constable for District 5 and serves on the Benton-Parish Metropolitan Planning Commission Board of Appeal.

Mr. Rimmer and Ms. Parks stated that they are not aware of any decision being made prior to today's meeting regarding the appointment for this board vacancy.

Mr. Gregory Theriot, 102 Summit Drive, Benton, LA, stated that he has lived in the area since 2015. He stated that he retired a little over a year ago as an A-10C pilot at Barksdale Air Force Base. He stated that this would be his first opportunity to serve the local public in any capacity. He further stated that he lives on the lake and is passionate about the park and lake.

Mr. Theriot stated that if appointed, he would bring objectivity and an open mind to the board. He provided additional information on his prior employment.

Mr. Darby stated that Mr. Theriot has an excellent background in science and chemistry. He stated that any time there is a vacancy on a board, the police jury accepts resumes and he tries to keep an open mind and look at the applicants' credentials and how they present themselves during the interview process.

Appreciation was extended to Mr. Theriot for his service.

Mr. Tom N. Thompson, 41333 Lakeway Circle, Benton, LA, stated that he has been a resident of Bossier Parish and lived on the shores of Cypress-Black Bayou Reservoir for over 32 years. He stated that he is an avid kayaker and has paddled every inch of shoreline of both lakes and every tributary that feeds the lakes. He further stated that he has led tours on these lakes and tributaries.

Mr. Thompson stated that he is very active in helping keep the environment clean and regularly assists with cleaning several public areas. He stated that he assists with marking canoe trails on several bodies of water and helps maintain those trails.

Mr. Thompson stated that he is very concerned about the lakes. He stated that the lakes are physically in good shape and has seen very little Salvinia or any other issues that detract from the beauty of the lake. He further stated that the park and lakes are well policed.

Mr. Thompson stated that he recently closed his law office and is intimately familiar with use of servitudes and disputes around servitudes and boundary disputes. He stated that he has attended many board meetings and one of the main concerns of the residents of the lakes is a flowage servitude. He further stated that lakefront property owners need to be educated on flowage easements and what restrictions are in place on lakefront properties.

Mr. Thompson provided additional information on his past employment and experience. He stated that he would like to serve the community and give back to the community that has given him so much.

Mr. Darby asked Mr. Thompson if he would be willing to serve on other boards in the event he is not selected today. Mr. Thompson stated that he would love to serve where needed.

A video of an interview with Mr. Rodney Madden was played due to him being out of the country. Mr. Madden stated that he has been a part of the lake since its conception, and commended the board and Mr. Berry for their hard work at Cypress-Black Bayou Park and the lakes. He stated that there are changes that need to be made to improve the park.

Mr. Madden stated that he understands what it takes to work with the general public and employees. He stated that change is inevitable and he feels that a new perspective on the board would have a positive impact. Mr. Madden stated that he would like the opportunity to serve on the board.

Mr. Ron Miciotto, Mr. Robert Berry's personal attorney, stated that he represents Mr. Berry in current litigation. He stated that he would like to clear up the current status of the litigation between the State of Louisiana, Schyler Marvin, and Mr. Berry. He stated that they have been through the trial court, the Court of Appeal, and the Louisiana Supreme Court process. He further stated that the trial court ruled in favor of Mr. Berry that his service as the Director of the Cypress-Black Bayou Recreation and Water Conservation District and a board member is not dual office holding with a Motion for Summary Judgment and a Judgment was rendered in that matter.

Mr. Miciotto stated that the Attorney General attempted to intervene in the Motion for Summary Judgment on the date of the hearing on the Motion for Summary Judgment, but the trial court declined the intervention. He stated that Mr. Berry won at the Court of Appeal on the Motion for Summary Judgment. He further stated that the Louisiana Supreme Court has not decided this case and is a pending application with the Louisiana Supreme Court.

Mr. Miciotto stated that what the Louisiana Supreme Court has done was reversed and remanded the case on the issue of the Motion for Summary Judgment back to the trial court for a decision. He presented a document for a re-hearing which shows that on May 9, 2023, Mr. Berry applied for a re-hearing to the Louisiana Supreme Court and that application is still pending in the Supreme Court and they do not go back into session until the first week of October. He stated that at that time, the court will either grant or deny the request for a rehearing.

Mr. Miciotto stated that if the rehearing is denied, then there will be an additional trial in the district trial court. Mr. Rimmer stated that the police jury understands that there has been no final decision made in this matter. He stated that there has been a three-minute time period established for anyone to speak during this matter and asked that Mr. Miciotto finish his presentation.

Mr. Miciotto presented a copy of the motion filed by the Attorney General's office to consolidate all three cases in this matter and their application to set a trial date which indicates that no final ruling has been issued in this matter. He stated that this matter is still pending.

Mr. Miciotto stated that there is an ethics matter pending in connection with Mr. Berry, and the Ethics Board has agreed to wait until there is a final decision by the Louisiana Supreme Court before they issue their findings.

Mr. Lee Ayers, Attorney for the Cypress-Black Bayou Recreation and Water Conservation District, was present. He encouraged the police jury to reappoint Mr. Robert Berry to the board. He stated that he would like to speak about Mr. Berry's good faith in connection with his service as the Executive Director and a board member with the Cypress-Black Bayou Recreation and Water Conservation District. He stated that Mr. Berry was appointed by the police jury in March of 2011, and in the summer of 2013, the issue came up as to whether Mr. Berry could also serve as the interim Executive Director.

Mr. Ayers stated that he is an attorney for the District and he, as well as several other attorneys in his firm, researched this matter and it was determined that it would be lawful and proper for Mr. Berry to serve as Interim Executive Director and a board member. He stated that he advised Mr. Berry that serving as both was lawful, and upon their recommendation and opinions, Mr. Berry accepted the job as the Interim Executive Director.

Mr. Ayers stated that neither position is elected and only one is a part-time appointed position and the other is a full-time employ position. He stated that Mr. Berry relied on the advice of the attorneys. He further stated that in December of 2014, an issue was presented regarding the "Interim" label and whether it should be removed and Mr. Berry be referred to as Executive Director.

Mr. Ayers stated that this matter was thoroughly reviewed by himself and attorneys in his firm and it was determined that it was lawful for Mr. Berry to serve as the Executive Director and a board member. He stated that citizens questioned this many times during a board meeting, and he stated on the record that Mr. Berry was lawfully serving as Executive Director and a board member.

Mr. Ayers stated that the lawsuit is not final and is pending and no decision has been made as to whether Mr. Berry serving as Executive Director and a board member is or is not lawful. He stated that he firmly believes that Mr. Berry is lawfully serving as both the Executive Director and a board member. He further stated that it cannot be disputed that Mr. Berry was in good faith and in complete reliance upon the advice and opinions of the attorneys serving as Executive Director and a board member.

Mr. Ayers stated that to the extent that the police jury's decision may be influenced by what may or may not be lawful, Mr. Berry relied in good faith on the opinions and advice of the attorneys.

Mr. Ayers stated that Mr. Berry's record of service to the Cypress-Black Bayou Recreation and Water Conservation District has been exemplary. He stated that Mr. Berry is one of the hardest working men he has ever met and works seven days a week for the park and is on call 24/7. He further stated that Mr. Berry cut over \$500,000.00 out of the budget each year by doing the needed work himself.

Mr. Ayers provided additional information on Mr. Berry's dedication and hard work for the park over the years. He stated that in February of 2014, Mr. Berry was at the park when two contractors were being electrocuted by a transformer and he risked his own life by running into the electrified field to try and save their lives. He further stated that Mr. Berry suffered tremendous injuries as a result of his heroic efforts.

Mr. Ayers stated that what the few people that are opposed to Mr. Berry being reappointed do not want others to know is that if Mr. Berry is not reappointed by virtue of the two-year moratorium, he will be required to step down as Executive Director. He stated that the District itself does not want to lose Mr. Berry, and he is speaking on behalf of the board and as the attorney for the District.

Mr. Ayers stated that the police jury should have received a letter from the other four board members stating that it is the board's recommendation that Mr. Berry be reappointed to the board. Mr. Rimmer asked if all the police jurors had seen the letter from the board.

Mr. Ayers stated that Mr. Berry has faithfully served for 12 years as a board member and has served for over a decade as Executive Director. He stated that his performance in both capacities is exemplary.

Mr. Ayers stated that Mr. Berry relied in good faith on the advice and opinions of the attorneys in taking the Executive Director position. He stated that the court litigation is not over, but if the police jury does not reappoint Mr.

Berry, he will be forced to step down effective August 1, 2023, from the board and as Executive Director. He further stated that if the police jury does not reappoint Mr. Berry, it will effectively circumvent the litigation and the due process of the judicial system. Mr. Ayers stated that if Mr. Berry is not reappointed it will cheat him out of his day in court on these issues. He asked that the police jury allow the court case to run its course and allow the court system to handle this matter.

Mr. Rodgers asked if Mr. Ayers was being paid by the District to attend today's meeting. Mr. Ayers confirmed that he was being paid by the District to attend today's meeting.

Ms. Shelly Carroll, 302 Diane Circle, Bossier City, LA, was present. She stated that she would like to speak on behalf of Mr. Berry. She stated that it would be a bad decision by the police jury if it does not reappoint Mr. Berry. She further stated that Mr. Berry is very knowledgeable pertaining to the lakes and park, he has always helped and supported the employees, and is a great person who strives to do good and works hard to keep the lakes and park in good condition.

Mr. Gary Wyche, 1337 Linton Road, Benton, LA, was present. He stated that he is a commissioner on the board and reiterated the letter provided to the police jurors from the board recommending Mr. Berry's reappointment. He further stated that Mr. Berry has done an excellent job as a commissioner and Executive Director.

Mr. Jerry Fowler, 208 Chelsea Drive, Benton, LA, was present. He stated that he is currently the representative of the Bossier Parish School Board on the Cypress-Black Bayou Recreation and Water Conservation District board for the last 10 years. He further stated that Mr. Berry has served as the police jury's representative on the board for the last 12 years and has done an outstanding job and his work ethic as Executive Director is outstanding. Mr. Fowler stated that Mr. Berry's work ethics and character are above reproach.

Mr. Fowler stated that the accusations against Mr. Berry are from a small group of people who have not gotten their way, have been told no by the board and Mr. Berry, and were required to undo something that was not approved by the board. He stated that one of the accusations is dual office holding. He further stated that this small group of people submitted a petition to the police jury requesting that Mr. Berry be removed from the board. He asked if the police jury confirmed that those who signed the petition were fully aware of what they were signing.

Mr. Fowler stated that Mr. Berry took on so many jobs that should have been done by someone else, but it saved the taxpayers of Bossier Parish thousands of dollars. He stated that SWEPCO wanted to come into the park and redo all electrical systems and a new right-of-way was required. He further stated that bids were obtained to clear the right-of-way and it was approximately \$160,000.00. Mr. Fowler stated that Mr. Berry rented a Trackhoe for \$25,000.00 and he and the three individuals that work at the park cleared the right-of-way in order to save money for the taxpayers.

Mr. Fowler stated that there are accusations of misuse of funds, but the auditor did not find any misuse or misappropriations of funds. He stated that Mr. Berry has been an asset to the board and park.

Mr. Fowler stated that he has lived on the lake for approximately 23 years and he has a vested interest in the lake. He stated that both lakes are in better shape than they have ever been.

Ms. Twyla Berry, 125 Carondelet Court, Bossier City, LA, Mr. Berry's wife, was present. She stated that Mr. Berry deserves this opportunity and has worked hard for the park. She further stated that the police jury will not find anyone like Mr. Berry that will put their heart and soul into this job, loves the lake, knows everything about the lake, the dam, and homeowners. Ms. Berry stated that these issues have been created by 20 people who are unhappy.

Ms. Berry stated that the police jurors have been elected to take care of the community and need to carefully consider this matter and not allow 20 people that are disgruntled because they were told no and not allowed to do certain things. She stated that Mr. Berry's track record and what he has accomplished at the park and lakes should be taken into consideration. She further stated that Mr. Berry's heart is in tune with what happens at the park and has worked 24/7 to ensure that the park and lakes are successful. She stated that the police jury will not find anyone that has the dedication and passion for the park and lakes like Mr. Berry.

Ms. Berry stated that this is their livelihood and is his job and not just an appointment. She asked that the police jurors reappoint Mr. Berry.

Ms. David Crockett, 653 Dumaine Drive, Bossier City, LA, was present. He stated that he previously lived on Cypress-Black Bayou. He further stated that he loves the lake and fishes at the lake all the time. Mr. Crockett stated that he is present to give a taxpayer's perspective on this matter. He stated that you cannot disregard the fact that the opinions that were rendered by the Supreme Court considered Mr. Berry serving on the board and as Executive Director is dual office holding.

Mr. Crockett stated that whether Mr. Berry keeps one or both positions is a decision that the Berry family will have to make. He stated that so many things have come out in the meeting that should be considered. He further stated that you do not have to live on the lake to appreciate the lake.

Mr. Crockett stated that the candidates being considered today have tremendous credentials and sometimes change is good. He stated that as the tax millage will be expiring soon, people are looking at the fact of whether the same things will be allowed over and over again. He further stated that this litigation has cost the taxpayers and he would like to know the amount the litigation has cost to date because he is a taxpayer.

Mr. Crockett stated that he loves the park and he wants the park to continue to get the support of the people. He stated that based on the Supreme Court opinion, Mr. Berry serving as a board member and as Executive Director is considered dual office holding, which should be taken into consideration when making this appointment today.

Mr. Crockett stated that one of the applicants has chemical background and military discipline. He stated that anyone that serves as a commissioner on the board or as Executive Director will love that job. He further stated that there are several great candidates. Mr. Crockett stated that he does not personally know Mr. Berry, but every family in this community loves that lake and the park. Mr. Crockett stated that the taxpayers do not want the ongoing controversy to continue, especially with the upcoming tax millage renewal and future tax millage renewals.

Mr. Crockett stated that the parish needs to develop a strong opinion of the public that appointments to boards are not simply because the board member has done the job in the past and other opinions need to be considered when making these board appointments.

Mr. Crockett expressed appreciation for allowing him to address the police jury and for allowing public comments. He expressed appreciation for the quick response to his email.

Mr. Rimmer asked if Mr. Crockett is active in the movement for term limits. Mr. Crockett stated that he is involved with the movement for term limits. Mr. Rimmer asked if the request for term limits also applies to board appointments. Mr. Crockett stated that there is a desire for term limits throughout the parish and throughout city government. He stated that he believes that term limits would also be beneficial for board appointments in order to invite new ideas.

Mr. Crockett provided additional information on the movement for term limits.

Mr. John Oswick, 2138 Airline Drive, Bossier City, LA, was present to speak on behalf of Mr. Berry. He stated that on the Labor Day weekend of 2021 when southern Louisiana was impacted by the devastating hurricane, he had worked approximately 70 hours that week hand-in-hand with Mr. Berry. He further stated that Mr. Berry was present every day and was the first to arrive and the last to leave. Mr. Oswick stated that Mr. Berry spent his personal funds assisting the displaced people from the hurricane in order to try and provide some type of relief for the people during a very difficult time.

Mr. Oswick stated that the police jury will not find anyone better for this job than Mr. Berry.

Mr. Gray expressed appreciation for all the accolades about Mr. Berry and agreed with Mr. Oswick about Mr. Berry going above and beyond to assist those that were displaced by the hurricane. He stated that if there is no resolution from the Supreme Court and the District Court on this matter, with all the accolades about Mr. Berry, and the board has requested Mr. Berry's reappointment, he would be in agreement to either table this matter or consider a temporary appointment pending the outcome of the Supreme Court and District Court litigation.

Ms. Parks stated that before the police jury moves forward in this matter, the police jury needs to decide if any of the candidates are not eligible based on the law. She stated that it needs to be determined if Mr. Berry qualifies for appointment to the board. She further stated that the police jury has heard from Mr. Berry's attorney today and they have expressed their arguments as to what the Supreme Court ruling means. Ms. Parks stated that if there is in fact a ruling that states Mr. Berry is in violation of dual office holding by serving on the board and as Executive Director, no matter how well Mr. Berry did his job, to ask the police jury to do something that would be contrary to the law, is just not something this police jury can do.

Ms. Parks stated that there is no doubt that Mr. Berry has been an asset to the Cypress-Black Bayou Recreation and Water Conservation District.

Ms. Parks asked that the Parish Attorney provide additional information on this matter. Mr. Neil Erwin, legal counsel present due to the absence of Mr. Jackson, stated that Mr. Miciotto is correct in stating that the case is not over. He stated that based on his own experience of over 40 years, he believes that every attorney would agree that what has been said by the Supreme Court goes beyond a simple remand without more. He further stated that the Supreme Court remanded with finding of law that he would characterize as a remand with guidance that any lower court is going to have to recognize, agree with, or not agree with.

Mr. Erwin stated that it is true that this litigation is not over and it is pertinent that it has been remanded with guidance, but there are arguments both ways in terms of saying whether it is anything more than pertinent and could be controlling. He stated that he believes it is pertinent and does not think it is controlling in terms of the decision today. He further stated that as elected officials, the police jurors have legislative discretion as to who they believe would be the most qualified person for this position. Mr. Erwin stated that the Code of Ethics clearly states that if Mr. Berry is not reappointed, he will be required to step down as Executive Director.

Mr. Erwin stated that the Code of Ethics states that during the two-year period following the termination of public service as a board or commission member, an individual may not contract with or be employed in any capacity by or be appointed to any position by that board or commission. He stated that this was brought up by Mr. Ayers and it is a pertinent point. Mr. Erwin stated that this is pertinent information, but it is not controlling information. He stated that the police jury has within its legislative discretion the ability to determine the most qualified individual for this position and choose that person accordingly.

Mr. Rodgers stated that he agrees with most of what was said today, and that the lakes look better than they ever have in the past. He stated that he was elected four years ago and is seeking re-election in the upcoming election. He further stated that in the last four years, he has dealt with more than 20 upset citizens in the District.

Mr. Rodgers stated that he personally knows Mr. Rodney Madden and he feels that he will do what is necessary to take care of the lake. **Motion was made by Mr. Rodgers, seconded by Mr. Salzer, to appoint Mr. Rodney Madden to the Cypress-Black Bayou Recreation and Water Conservation District Board of Commissioners for a five-year term, term to expire July 31, 2028.**

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

**YEAS: Mr. Cochran, Mr. Darby, Mr. Jorden, Mr. Marsiglia, Mr. Rimmer,
Mr. Rodgers, Mr. Salzer**
NAYS: Mr. Gray, Ms. Parks, Mr. Plummer
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Mr. Brotherton
NO VOTE RECORDED: Mr. Benton

Motion was made by Mr. Marsiglia, seconded by Mr. Darby, to award the bid for Project No. 2023-117, Old Brownlee Road Sidewalk Extension, in the amount of \$132,346.00, to F.J. Burnell, Inc., in accordance with bids received July 11, 2023, and to authorize the execution of documents. Engineer's Estimate for the project is \$155,570.00. Mr. Hudson stated that this project was rebid due to the first set of bids being well over the Engineer's Estimate.

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

**YEAS: Mr. Benton, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Darby, Mr. Gray, Mr. Jorden
Mr. Marsiglia, Ms. Parks, Mr. Rimmer, Mr. Rodgers, Mr. Salzer**
NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Mr. Brotherton, Mr. Plummer

Bid results are as follows:

Bidder:	Bid Amount:
F.J. Burnell, Inc.	\$132,346.00
CW&W Contractors, Inc.	\$199,343.36
David B. Womack Contractor, LLC	\$205,656.25

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 19th day of July, 2023, that it does hereby award the bid for Project No. 2023-117, Old Brownlee Road Sidewalk Extension, in the amount of \$132,346.00, to F.J. Burnell, Inc., in accordance with bids received July 11, 2023.

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. Darby. Upon vote, it was duly adopted on this 19th day of July, 2023, with the following votes recorded:

YEAS: Mr. Benton, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Darby, Mr. Gray, Mr. Jorden
Mr. Marsiglia, Ms. Parks, Mr. Rimmer, Mr. Rodgers, Mr. Salzer
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Mr. Brotherton, Mr. Plummer

RACHEL D. HAUSER
PARISH SECRETARY

DOUG RIMMER, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Mr. Hudson stated that bids were received on July 13, 2023, for Project No. 2022-111, Parish Camp Boat Launch Improvements. He stated that only one bid was received and it exceeded the grant amount on this project and the Engineer's Estimate. He further requested that the bid be rejected and the project be rebid.

Motion was made by Mr. Salzer, seconded by Mr. Jorden, to reject the bid received on July 13, 2023, for Project No. 2022-111, Parish Camp Boat Launch Improvements, and to authorize the readvertising for bid for Project No. 2022-111, Parish Camp Boat Launch Improvements, bid date to be determined.

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

Ms. Hauser announced the public hearing to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development of Cypress Bay Subdivision, Unit No. VC, being a resubdivision of Lot 103, Cypress Bay Subdivision, Unit No. V, and Lot 3, Cypress Bay Subdivision, Unit No. VB, in Section 1, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA; located off Leeward Cove. This application (Case BP-06-23) received a favorable recommendation by the Benton-Parish MPC. This matter was tabled on June 7, 2023.

Mr. Hudson stated that the engineer and the property owner have requested that this matter be tabled indefinitely. **Motion was made by Mr. Rodgers, seconded by Mr. Salzer, to table the public hearing to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development of Cypress Bay Subdivision, Unit No. VC, being a resubdivision of Lot 103, Cypress Bay Subdivision, Unit No. V, and Lot 3, Cypress Bay Subdivision, Unit No. VB, in Section 1, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA; located off Leeward Cove; this matter is tabled indefinitely. (Benton Case BP-06-23)**

Mr. Rimmer stated that the motion should be to defer this matter. After further discussion regarding whether this matter should be tabled or deferred, **motion was made by Mr. Rodgers, seconded by Mr. Marsiglia, to defer the public hearing to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development of Cypress Bay Subdivision, Unit No. VC, being a resubdivision of Lot 103, Cypress Bay Subdivision, Unit No. V, and Lot 3, Cypress Bay Subdivision, Unit No. VB, in Section 1, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA; located off Leeward Cove. (Case BP-06-23)**

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 Redwood Place at Legacy Subdivision, Unit No. 13, a Planned Unit Development, located in Section 21, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA; located off Airline Drive. This application (Case P-PLAT-000077-2023) received a favorable recommendation by the Bossier City-Parish MPC. This matter was tabled on July 5, 2023.

Mr. Hudson stated that the proposed development is Unit No. 13 and is to be located along Deen Point Road. He stated that the developer has agreed to grant the parish an additional 12-foot wide right-of-way and there will be an 8-foot Homeowners Association common buffer area that has been required by the Bossier City-Parish MPC. He further stated that the Bossier City-Parish MPC has stipulated that certain landscaping and fencing requirements must be met when each home is built.

Mr. Hudson stated that it is planned that sewer will be provided by Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District No. 1 of the Parish of Bossier and water will be provided by Bossier City.

Mr. Hudson stated that when plans are being made for the next units, traffic studies will begin for connections to Deen Point Road. He stated that there will be no rear access to the lots in Unit No. 13 and access will be internal.

There being no objections, **motion was made by Ms. Parks, seconded by Mr. Jorden, to approve the plat of the proposed development of Redwood Place at Legacy Subdivision, Unit No. 13, a Planned Unit Development, located in Section 21, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA; located off Airline Drive. (Bossier Case P-PLAT-000077-2023)**

The President called for public comment. Mr. Benton asked how many lots are planned. Mr. Hudson stated that 33 lots are planned for Unit No. 13. He stated that the only ingress/egress currently in place is to Swan Lake Road

and there will be an additional ingress/egress off Deen Point Road when the next unit is built. Mr. Hudson stated that there will be no individual driveways on Deen Point Road.

Mr. Hudson stated that the construction traffic will be off Deen Point Road to alleviate any congestion on Swan Lake Road. Mr. Salzer stated that the construction ingress/egress off Deen Point Road could be used as an emergency exit if needed.

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 Johnson–Teague Subdivision, Unit No. 2, being a resubdivision of a portion of Lot 1, Johnson-Teague Subdivision, Unit No. 1, and an adjacent tract of land, located in Section 12, Township 16 North, Range 11 West, Bossier Parish, LA; located off Johnson Drive.

Mr. Travis Sturdivant, Raley and Associates, Inc., was present. Mr. Hudson stated that there are no drainage issues. He stated that the owner of Lot 1, Johnson-Teague Subdivision, owns a larger tract of land behind Lot 1 and wants to combine Lot 1 and the larger tract of land to make one large lot. He further stated that lot sizes can be increased and incorporated into a subdivision and there will be no access through the subdivision to any remaining acreage. Mr. Hudson stated that the property owner plans to build one home on the lot.

There being no objection, **motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Marsiglia, to approve the plat of the proposed development of Johnson–Teague Subdivision, Unit No. 2, being a resubdivision of a portion of Lot 1, Johnson-Teague Subdivision, Unit No. 1, and an adjacent tract of land, located in Section 12, Township 16 North, Range 11 West, Bossier Parish, LA; located off Johnson Drive.**

The President called for public comment. Mr. Salzer asked if the house is being built on the original subdivision lot. Mr. Sturdivant stated that the larger tract of land that is currently not in the subdivision is being sold by the timber company and once sold, the timber company will not have access to their property through Johnson Drive. He stated that the individual that owns Lot 1 and is purchasing the larger tract of land behind his lot, will have access off Johnson Drive.

Mr. Salzer asked if there is a stipulation that requires that the home be built on the original subdivision lot. Mr. Sturdivant stated that if approved, Lot 1 will increase in size. Mr. Salzer asked how this request is any different than a previous request to enlarge a lot in south Bossier Parish to include a tract of land located behind his lot and it was denied.

Mr. Hudson stated that the property owner of the tract of land in south Bossier Parish planned to build a ski lake behind his home in that subdivision.

Mr. Salzer stated that the police jury denied the property owner access to that tract of land, nor would the police jury allow the property owner to combine his subdivision lot and the larger tract of land to create one large lot in the subdivision. Mr. Hudson stated that if the purpose to enlarge the lot was to build a home, the property owner would have been allowed to combine the two tracts of land. He stated that the intended use of the land cannot be changed or decrease the lot size.

Mr. Hudson stated that the request being presented today does not change the intended use of the land and increases the size of the subdivision lot.

Mr. Salzer stated that the police jury has allowed property owners to combine lots that are in a subdivision, but this request is to combine a tract of land that is not in the subdivision with an existing subdivision lot. He asked if the police jury has ever approved this type of request in the past.

Mr. Salzer stated that a property owner in south Bossier Parish requested to combine a subdivision lot and a tract of land located behind his lot to build a home and requested that the original lot in the subdivision would serve as a driveway to the home to be located on the tract of land behind the subdivision lot. There was further discussion on this matter and the police jury's denial on this matter. Mr. Hudson stated that this matter can be tabled to allow him additional time to further review this matter.

Motion was made by Mr. Salzer, seconded by Mr. Rodgers, to table the public hearing to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development of Johnson–Teague Subdivision, Unit No. 2, being a resubdivision of a portion of Lot 1, Johnson-Teague Subdivision, Unit No. 1, and an adjacent tract of land, located in Section 12, Township 16 North, Range 11 West, Bossier Parish, LA; located off Johnson Drive.

Mr. Erwin recommended that this matter be deferred. After further discussion, it was noted that when this matter is scheduled to come back before the police jury, a motion will need to be made to remove the table in order to further hear this matter.

Votes were cast and the motion carried.

Ms. Hauser announced the public hearing to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development of Craig Subdivision, Unit No. 1, being a resubdivision of Tract "A" and Tract "B", Julie Craig McCoy and Linda Craig Boyd Minor Plat for Daughters, and an adjacent tract of land, located in Section 34, Township 19 North, Range 12 West, Bossier Parish, LA; located off Bellevue Road. This application (Case P-PLAT-000102-2023) received a favorable recommendation by the Bossier City-Parish MPC.

Mr. Hudson stated that this proposed development is a three-lot subdivision of heir property and meets all parish regulations.

There being no objection, **motion was made by Mr. Jorden, seconded by Mr. Cochran, to approve the plat of the proposed development of Craig Subdivision, Unit No. 1, being a resubdivision of Tract "A" and Tract "B", Julie Craig McCoy and Linda Craig Boyd Minor Plat for Daughters, and an adjacent tract of land, located in Section 34, Township 19 North, Range 12 West, Bossier Parish, LA; located off Bellevue Road. (Bossier Case P-PLAT-000102-2023)**

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

Ms. Hauser announced the public hearing to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development of Williams Subdivision, Unit No. 3, being a resubdivision of a portion of Lots 10 and 11, Williams Subdivision, located in

Section 15, Township 18 North, Range 12 West, Bossier Parish, LA; located at the corner of U.S. Highway 80 and Remco Drive. This application (Case P-PLAT-000095-2023) received a favorable recommendation from the Bossier City-Parish MPC.

Mr. Ryan Estess, Raley and Associates, Inc., was present. He stated that this development combines two lots into one large lot. Mr. Hudson stated that a reevaluation will be required by the Department of Transportation and Development.

There being no objection, **motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Rodges, to approve the plat of the proposed development of Williams Subdivision, Unit No. 3, being a resubdivision of a portion of Lots 10 and 11, Williams Subdivision, located in Section 15, Township 18 North, Range 12 West, Bossier Parish, LA; located at the corner of U.S. Highway 80 and Remco Drive. (Bossier Case P-PLAT-000095-2023)**

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

YEAS: Mr. Benton, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Darby, Mr. Gray, Mr. Jorden, Ms. Parks,
Mr. Plummer, Mr. Rimmer, Mr. Rodgers, Mr. Salzer

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Mr. Brotherton, Mr. Marsiglia

Ms. Hauser announced the public hearing to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development of Trosclair Subdivision, being a resubdivision of Tract 1 of the Minor Plat for B&L Bearden, LLC, located in Section 23, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA; located off Deen Point Road. This application (Case P-PLAT-000034-2023) received a favorable recommendation from the Bossier City-Parish MPC.

Ms. Hauser stated that the developer has requested that the name of the subdivision be changed to Trosclair Estates Subdivision.

Mr. Hudson stated that the developer originally purchased 20 acres and is requesting that the 20-acre tract of land be subdivided into four lots. He stated that the proposed plat meets all MPC requirements and covenants have been submitted. He recommended approval.

Mr. Benton asked if the property owner of the proposed Lot 2 would be willing to dedicate an easement to the parish in order to possibly widen Deen Point Road in the future.

Mr. Chris Trosclair stated that he would be the owner of Lot 2 and he would not have any objection to dedicating an easement on Deen Point Road.

Ms. Parks stated that the police jury requires an access road in subdivisions to be built to parish standards, but this proposed plat does not include an access road. Mr. Hudson stated that due to the width of the proposed lots and the driveways are not located in close proximity meet the requirements of driveway separations on public roads. He stated that the property owners prefer to have individual driveways to each of their lots.

Mr. Hudson stated that the proposed plat meets the current MPC guidelines for flag lots. Ms. Parks stated that there have been several requests to subdivide their property denied due to no public access. She stated that she understands that the difference with this proposed subdivision and the others that have been denied is the size of the lots. Mr. Hudson stated that the lot size determines whether the request to subdivide tracts of land meet the required guidelines.

There being no objection, **motion was made by Ms. Parks, seconded by Mr. Gray, to approve the plat of the proposed development of Trosclair Estates Subdivision, being a resubdivision of Tract 1 of the Minor Plat for B&L Bearden, LLC, located in Section 23, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA; located off Deen Point Road; subject to the dedication of an easement on Lot 2 to the Parish of Bossier. (Bossier Case P-PLAT-000034-2023)**

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

Ms. Hauser announced the public hearing to consider abandonment of Adner Estates Subdivision, Unit Nos. 4 and 5, located in Section 3, Township 18 North, Range 12 West, Bossier Parish, LA; located off Adner Road, with the police jury reserving all oil, gas, and mineral rights.

Mr. Hudson stated that Adner Estates Subdivision, Unit Nos. 4 and 5 were never built. He stated that there was a stipulation that each lot would require individual treatment plants. He further stated that the proposed subdivision was to be a mixed use stick built-mobile home type subdivision. Mr. Hudson stated that the developer owns all lots in Unit Nos. 4 and 5, as well as additional acreage to Bellevue Road. He stated that the developer is creating a larger subdivision that will connect to Bellevue Road with an emergency access to Adner Road if needed in the future. Mr. Hudson stated that in order to develop a larger subdivision, it is necessary that Unit Nos. 4 and 5, Adner Estates Subdivision, be abandoned.

Ms. Rose Pierce, 1644 Adner Road, Haughton, LA, was present. She stated that Adner Road needs to be widened. She further stated that she owns 10 acres off Adner Road and when she tried to place one of her children on her land, she was denied. Ms. Pierce stated that she has spoken with Mr. Benton and he explained the process should the need arise for her to need a family member to provide care for her in the future.

Ms. Pierce asked if her property would be affected as far as the parish reserving the oil, gas, and mineral rights. Mr. Benton stated that the parish would be reserving the oil, gas, and mineral rights on the portion of land where the Adner Estates Subdivision, Unit Nos. 4 and 5 are located.

Mr. Hudson stated that the mineral rights are for the road dedications that were given to the parish.

There being no objection, **motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Salzer, to abandon Adner Estates Subdivision, Unit Nos. 4 and 5, located in Section 3, Township 18 North, Range 12 West, Bossier Parish, LA; located off Adner Road, with the police jury reserving all oil, gas, and mineral rights.**

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

ORDINANCE NO. 4964

AN ORDINANCE TO OFFICIALLY ABANDON ADNER ESTATES SUBDIVISION, UNIT NOS. 4 AND 5, LOCATED IN SECTION 3, TOWNSHIP 18 NORTH, RANGE 12 WEST, BOSSIER PARISH, LA; LOCATED OFF ADNER ROAD, WITH THE POLICE JURY RESERVING ALL OIL, GAS, AND MINERAL RIGHTS

BE IT ORDAINED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session convened on this 19th day of July, 2023, that it does hereby abandon Adner Estates Subdivision, Unit Nos. 4 and 5, located in Section 3, Township 18 North, Range 12 West, Bossier Parish, LA; located off Adner Road, with the police jury reserving all oil, gas, and mineral rights.

The ordinance was offered by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Salzer. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 19th day of July, 2023.

RACHEL D. HAUSER
PARISH SECRETARY

DOUG RIMMER, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Ms. Hauser announced the public hearing to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development of Turtle Creek Subdivision, Unit No. 4, located in Section 11, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA; located off West Lakeshore Drive. This application (Case BP-08-23) received a favorable recommendation from the Benton-Parish MPC.

Mr. Charlie Coyle, Coyle Engineering, Inc., was present. He stated that this development is a continuation of the existing subdivision and was approved in the original masterplan.

There being no objection, **motion was made by Mr. Rodgers, seconded by Mr. Plummer, to approve the plat of the proposed development of Turtle Creek Subdivision, Unit No. 4, located in Section 11, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA; located off West Lakeshore Drive. (Benton Case BP-08-23)**

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

Ms. Hauser announced the public hearing to consider the plat of the proposed development of Turtle Creek Subdivision, Unit No. 5, located in Sections 2 and 11, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA; located off West Lakeshore Drive. This application (Case BP-09-23) received a favorable recommendation by the Benton-Parish MPC.

There being no objection, **motion was made by Mr. Rodgers, seconded by Mr. Marsiglia, to approve the plat of the proposed development of Turtle Creek Subdivision, Unit No. 5, located in Sections 2 and 11, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA; located off West Lakeshore Drive. (Benton Case BP-09-23)**

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. Darby, to schedule a public hearing on August 16, 2023, to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development of Arthur Graham Subdivision, located in Section 25, Township 22 North, Range 14 West, Bossier Parish, LA; located off Dutch John Road.

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

Motion was made by Mr. Darby, seconded by Mr. Benton, to schedule a public hearing on September 6, 2023, to consider approval of the application of William Bradford, Blanchard, Walker, O'Quin & Roberts, for a zoning amendment to change the zoning classification of a certain tract of land being .96 acres, more or less, located in Section 16, Township 18 North, Range 12 West, Bossier Parish, LA, from R-A, Residence-Agricultural District, to B-3, General Business District; located on the south side of Highway 80, east of Ferndale Boulevard, for a used tire store. Case P-ZON-00090-2023 – Favorable recommendation by the Bossier City-Parish MPC.

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

Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Cochran, to schedule a public hearing on September 6, 2023, to consider approval of the application of the Haughton MPC to amend various sections of the Unified Development Code relative to Drainage Easements, Industrial Use Parking areas, and residential driveway locations. Case HP-1-23 – Favorable recommendation by the Haughton Parish MPC.

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. Salzer, to schedule a public hearing on September 6, 2023, to consider approval of the application of the Haughton MPC to amend the Unified Development Code to include the Highway 80 Redevelopment Overlay District. Case HP-6-23 – Favorable recommendation by the Haughton Parish MPC

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

Ms. Hauser announced the condemnation hearing for property located at 620 Parish Camp Road, Elm Grove, LA, Tax Assessment No. 141944 and 166745. Mr. David Ghormley, Property Standards Officer, presented photographs of the property and stated that there has been no contact from the property owner until Monday when they called requesting an extension. He stated that he advised the property owner that they would need to be present today to request an extension. No one was present.

Mr. Ghormley stated that there has been no change to the condition of the property. He stated that this has been ongoing since March of 2023. He 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 Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Cochran, to condemn property located at 620 Parish Camp Road, Elm Grove, LA, Tax Assessment No. 141944 and 166745, in accordance with property standards regulations.**

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

Ms. Hauser announced the condemnation hearing for property located at 3415 Fairview Point Road, Elm Grove, LA, Tax Assessment No. 113357. Mr. David Ghormley, Property Standards Officer, presented photographs of the property and stated that the property is overgrown and an abandoned home is located on the property. He stated that he has had no contact with the property owner.

Mr. Jody Smith, 6553 Mooringsport Road, Shreveport, LA, was present. He stated that he has several medical issues. He stated that one of the main reasons that they have allowed the property to be overgrown is that it helps decrease vandalism and theft. He further stated that the three neighbors that live in this area have no issues with the condition of the property.

Mr. Smith stated that there have been several issues with theft in this area. He stated that his daughter has plans to remodel the home and the existing mobile home serves as storage. He provided additional information on the history of the home located on this property.

Mr. Ghormley stated that if the police jury condemns the property, he would have access to the property and could determine at that time what needs to be done. He stated that if the home needs to be torn down, the parish will tear it down and remove the mobile home.

Mr. Ghormley stated that if there is some way to secure the home to keep the vermin out of it, then that is an option. He stated that this matter has been ongoing since March of 2023.

Mr. Cochran stated that property standards is a complaint driven program which means someone called and made a complaint on the property. Mr. Smith stated that the complaint is likely from the person who has been trying to purchase the property from him for the last 10 years and does not live next to the property. Mr. Cochran asked if there are plans to clean the property and board the home up.

Mr. Smith stated that you cannot see the home from the roadway which was intentional. He stated that all properties surrounding his property are overgrown as well.

Mr. Cochran asked if a 30-day extension is granted, would he be willing to work with Mr. Ghormley and clean up the property. Mr. Smith stated that he would work with Mr. Ghormley. It was determined that the main concern by the complainant was the home not being secure to keep vermin from living in the home.

Mr. Plummer stated that the majority of the surrounding properties are woodlands and there are properties that are much worse than this property and no complaints have been received on those properties.

After further discussion, **motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Cochran, to allow the owner of 3415 Fairview Point Road, Elm Grove, LA, Tax Assessment No. 113357, an additional 30 days in which to bring the property into compliance with property standards regulations.**

The President called for public comment. There being none, **votes were cast and the motion carried unanimously.** The matter will be reviewed at the September 6, 2023, regular meeting.

Mr. Plummer, Chairman of the Parks and Recreation Committee, reported on the meeting of that committee held today at 10:00 a.m. Committee members attending the Parks and Recreation Committee were Mr. Plummer, Mr. Marsiglia, Mr. Benton, Mr. Rodgers, Mr. Salzer, and Ms. Parks. Ms. Hauser, Ms. Julie Gill, Ms. Megan Ramos, Mr. Matt Redmon, Mr. Pat Culverhouse, Mr. Ford, Mr. Warren Saucier, Ms. Stacie Fernandez, Mr. Jim Firth, Mr. Hudson, Mr. Neil Erwin, and Mr. Darby were also present.

Mr. Plummer stated that Mr. Saucier presented a request for an amendment to the Parks and Recreation budget for Lawson Bo Brandon Sports Complex due to an increase in the cost of materials. He stated that the committee recommends approval of that amendment which will be discussed during budget discussions.

Mr. Rodgers, Chairman of the Road/Subdivision Regulations Committee, reported on the meeting of that committee held today at 12:15 p.m. Committee members attending the Road/Subdivision Regulations Committee were Mr. Rodgers, Mr. Benton, Mr. Jordan, Mr. Plummer, Mr. Rimmer, Mr. Marsiglia, Ms. Parks, Mr. Ford, and Mr. Hudson.

Ms. Hauser, Ms. Megan Ramos, Ms. Julie Gill, Ms. Stacie Fernandez, Mr. Jim Firth, Mr. Pat Culverhouse, Ms. Ginger Adam Corley, Mr. Sam Marsiglia, Mr. Neil Erwin, Mr. Warren Saucier, Mr. Mark Coutee, Ms. Rachael Graves, Mr. Matt Redmon, Ms. Carlotta Askew-Brown, Ms. Carolina Blunk, and Ms. Lynn Bryan were also present. Other jurors present were Mr. Darby, Mr. Salzer, and Mr. Cochran.

Mr. Rodgers stated that the committee discussed drainage issues on Buckhall Road. He stated that a meeting is scheduled with railroad representatives to request permission for the parish to clean the area that is located in the railroad right-of-way. He further stated that the committee recommends approval of a one-time expenditure of funds for the parish to clean the railroad right-of-way on Buckhall Road with the homeowners to be responsible for maintenance thereafter.

Motion was made by Mr. Rodgers, seconded by Mr. Marsiglia, to approve a one-time expenditure of funds to clean the the railroad right-of-way on Buckhall Road, subject to approval by the railroad company.

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

Mr. Rodgers stated that the committee discussed an ordinance recently adopted by the police jury regulating mailboxes in parish rights-of-way. He stated that this matter is to be further discussed.

Mr. Rodgers stated that the committee discussed minor plats that have been approved administratively and for those plats to be included in the minutes showing approval.

Mr. Sam Marsiglia, Haughton MPC, stated that Mr. Christopher Beaty has been an invaluable board member on the Haughton MPC Board of Adjustment and recommends that he be reappointed. He stated that this board is a new board and originally the terms were staggered. He requested that Mr. Beaty's term should reflect a four-year term.

Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Jorden, to approve the reappointment of Mr. Christopher Beaty to the Haughton MPC Board of Adjustment for a four-year term, term to expire July 15, 2027.

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. Rodgers, to approve the reappointment of Mr. Billy Don Slack to the Board of Commissioners for Bossier Parish Fire District No. 7 for a two-year term, term to expire July 31, 2025.

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. Salzer, to approve the reappointment of Mr. Richard McGuire to the Board of Commissioners for Bossier Parish Fire District No. 7 for a two-year term, term to expire August 31, 2025.

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. Salzer, to approve Change Order No. 3 for Project No. 2021-119, Proposed Street Improvements, DR 4263 PW 910 Paved Roads, Task Order No. 7, and to authorize the execution of documents. Said change order results in an increase of \$1,944.00 and no additional contract days.

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 19th day of July, 2023, that it does hereby approve Change Order No. 3 for Project No. 2021-119, Proposed Street Improvements, DR 4263 PW 910 Paved Roads, Task Order No. 7.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Parish Administrator or Parish President is hereby authorized to execute said Change Order No. 3.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Salzer. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 19th day of July, 2023.

RACHEL D. HAUSER
PARISH SECRETARY

DOUG RIMMER, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Mr. Hudson stated that it is necessary to amend the Local Services Agreement with the Bossier Parish School Board to include Project No. 2023-116, Innovation Drive & Dairy Lane Extensions. He stated that the Bossier Parish School Board will be paying 100 percent of the cost of the project with the Bossier Parish Police Jury managing the project.

Motion was made by Ms. Parks, seconded by Mr. Marsiglia, to adopt an ordinance authorizing the Parish of Bossier to enter into a Local Services Agreement with the Bossier Parish School Board in connection with improving the traffic congestion at the W.T. Lewis Elementary School by constructing a turn lane to the school from Modica Lott Road, being a joint project of both entities, and to authorize execution of documents.

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

ORDINANCE NO. 4965

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

WHEREAS, the Parish of Bossier and the Bossier Parish School Board will mutually benefit from the improvement of infrastructure, which enhances existing development and facilitates the development of new schools in the Parish of Bossier;

WHEREAS, the Parish of Bossier and the Bossier Parish School Board have engaged in joint endeavors regarding the development of schools, streets, highways and road projects, zoning master plans and a uniform development code, which benefit the citizens of Bossier Parish; and

WHEREAS, a local services agreement between the Parish of Bossier and the Bossier Parish School Board will facilitate intergovernmental functions to provide greater economy and efficiency in the operation of local services; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of the Parish of Bossier will benefit by the development created by improving the traffic congestion at the W.T. Lewis Elementary School by constructing a turn lane to the school from Modica Lott Road, being a joint project of both entities; and

WHEREAS, the Bossier Parish School Board will pay for the design and construction of a turn lane from Modica Lott Road to the W.T. Lewis Elementary School parking lot as part of an existing Bossier Parish Police Jury Project, Project Number 2023-116, Innovation Drive and Dairy Lane Extension, as requested by the School Board; and

NOW THEREFORE, the Parish of Bossier and the Bossier Parish School Board agree as follows:

That the Parish of Bossier and the Bossier Parish School Board are joining together to plan, finance, and construct an existing Bossier Parish Police Jury Project, Project Number 2023-116, Innovation Drive and Dairy Lane Extension, by adding a turn lane off of Modica Lott Road to the W. T. Lewis Elementary School parking lot; to operate and maintain such public projects or improvements necessary or incidental thereto and to avail themselves of the method of acquisition or public projects, servitudes, rights-of-way, easements, streets, highways and roads with the Parish of

Bossier and/or the Bossier Parish School Board, specifically allowed in La. R. S. 33:1329, all for and on behalf of the residents of the Parish of Bossier.

That the Parish of Bossier and/or the Bossier Parish School Board shall have the right individually or jointly to acquire property pursuant to La. R. S. 33:1329 in furtherance of these improvements, being a joint project of both entities. Further, the parties may, from time to time, provide funds and/or services to the other for purposes of facilitating these endeavors. By letter agreement, the parties may document the services and funds the parties may exchange between the other, after appropriate vote of the political subdivision to so do the services or provide the funds.

That the Parish of Bossier and the Bossier Parish School Board, in entering into this agreement, authorize their respective attorneys and staff to take whatever action necessary in furtherance of the joint projects set forth herein.

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

The ordinance was offered by Ms. Parks, seconded by Mr. Marsiglia. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 19th day of July, 2023.

RACHEL D. HAUSER
PARISH SECRETARY

DOUG RIMMER, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Motion was made by Ms. Parks, seconded by Mr. Gray, to approve Supplemental Agreement No. 2 with Coyle Engineering Co., Inc., in the amount of \$14,200.00 for surveying and engineering services for Project No. 2023-116, Innovation Drive and Dairy Lane Extensions, 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 19th day of July, 2023, that it does hereby approve Supplemental Agreement No. 2 with Coyle Engineering Co., Inc., in the amount of \$14,200.00 for surveying and engineering services for Project No. 2023-116, Innovation Drive & Dairy Lane Extensions.

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

The resolution was offered by Ms. Parks, seconded by Mr. Gray. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 19th day of July, 2023.

RACHEL D. HAUSER
PARISH SECRETARY

DOUG RIMMER, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Motion was made by Mr. Gray, seconded by Ms. Parks, to accept a proposal from Newman Marchive, Inc., in the amount of \$3,200.00 for a preliminary mold investigation at the new Central Library building, 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 19th day of July, 2023, 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 Newman Marchive, Inc., in the amount of \$3,200.00 for a preliminary mold investigation at the new Central Library building.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Gray, seconded by Ms. Parks. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 19th day of July, 2023.

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Mr. Rimmer recommended that Agenda Item No. 28, discussion of Chapter 94, Article 1, Section 94-12, of the Bossier Parish Code of Ordinances, "Roads and Subdivisions" be deferred at this time.

Motion was made by Mr. Darby, seconded by Mr. Cochran, to approve an Assignment and Assumption of Lease Agreement by and between the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System, a public constitutional corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Louisiana, acting herein on behalf of Louisiana Tech University, represented herein by its duly authorized Board of Representatives, Dr. Leslie K. Guice, and the Louisiana Tech Applied Research Corporation, a Louisiana nonprofit corporation existing under the laws of the State of Louisiana, 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 19th day of July, 2023, that it does hereby approve an Assignment and Assumption of Lease Agreement by and between the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System, a public constitutional corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Louisiana, acting herein on behalf of Louisiana Tech University, represented herein by its duly authorized Board of Representatives, Dr. Leslie K. Guice, and the Louisiana Tech Applied Research Corporation, a Louisiana nonprofit corporation existing under the laws of the State of Louisiana.

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

The resolution was offered by Mr. Darby, seconded by Mr. Cochran. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 19th day of July, 2023.

RACHEL D. HAUSER
PARISH SECRETARY

DOUG RIMMER, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Motion was made by Mr. Plummer, seconded by Mr. Benton, to approve a Contract for Legal Services between the Parish of Bossier and Irpino, Avin and Hawkins, et al, for the purpose of providing legal services related to the filing and litigation of a civil action for damages stemming from Insulin Pricing by insulin manufacturers and pharmacy benefits managers, 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 19th day of July, 2023, that it does hereby approve a Contract for Legal Services between the Parish of Bossier and Irpino, Avin and Hawkins, et al, for the purpose of providing legal services related to the filing and litigation of a civil action for damages stemming from Insulin Pricing by insulin manufacturers and pharmacy benefits managers.

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

The resolution was offered by Mr. Plummer, seconded by Mr. Benton. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 19th day of July, 2023.

RACHEL D. HAUSER
PARISH SECRETARY

DOUG RIMMER, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Motion was made by Mr. Darby, seconded by Mr. Jorden, to defer Agenda Item No. 31 to consider approval of a Transfer Deed/Donation from the Bossier Parish Police Jury to the City of Bossier City of property located at 1200 Airline Drive, Bossier City, LA, Tax Assessment No. 148936, Parcel 1813343B, for the purpose of maintenance of a water tower, with the police jury reserving all oil, gas, and mineral rights, and authorize the execution of documents.

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

Mr. Ford stated that packets for the NACo conference have been provided to all jurors that will be attending the conference in Austin, Texas.

Mr. Ford stated that he, Ms. Hauser, and Ms. Ramos will be attending the Organization of Parish Administrative Officials on July 26th through 28th, 2023, at the Horseshoe Casino in Bossier City, LA. He stated that Caddo Parish is hosting the conference.

Mr. Nguyen Kha, Assistant Parish Engineer and Utilities Director for Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District Nos. 1 and 2 of the Parish of Bossier, stated that a line split in Forest Hills Subdivision off Highpoint Road over the weekend. He stated that the water had to be shut off in Forest Hills and the tank drained.

Mr. Kha stated that there were also issues with the Hilltop tank due to sensors going bad which caused the tank to drain. He stated that it was necessary for water to be brought in to fill the tanks. He further stated that this caused issues with the quality of the water. Mr. Kha stated that there were several complaints with the water due to this matter, but the water is now clear.

Mr. Benton stated that he received many complaints over the weekend due to these water issues. He asked what is being done to clean the tanks and how to prohibit this from happening in the future.

Mr. Kha stated that the parish has received funds from the Water Sector Program and those funds will be used to inspect and clean the tanks. He stated that an engineer has been selected for this project.

Mr. Benton asked for an update on the SCADA system. Mr. Kha stated that all parts have been received for the SCADA system and efforts are being made to begin the project by the end of the month.

Mr. Benton stated that an 8-inch water line on Highpoint Place broke and the valves were not working. He stated that this is the fourth time this line has broken at this location. He further stated that in order to prevent the tank from draining, the pressure had to be shut down. Mr. Benton stated that four subdivisions lost water due to this break in the line. He stated that later he received a call that the sensor at the Hilltop tank was not working, which is the SCADA system that is outdated.

Mr. Benton stated that there are plans to update the SCADA system which caused the water to be brown. He stated that Mr. Jody Parker, Water and Sewer Operator for Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District Nos. 1 and 2 of the Parish of Bossier, spent approximately 24 hours over the weekend trying to get the SCADA system running again. He expressed appreciation to Jody for his dedication and hard work.

Mr. Benton stated that the parish is working hard to improve the water system that has been neglected over the years.

Mr. Benton requested that a Public Works Report be added to future agendas in an effort to keep the police jury and public informed on sewer projects.

Mr. Hudson requested that the agenda be amended to consider accepting the design exceptions for the Caplis Sligo Road Over Red Chute Bridge to maintain the existing roadway alignment and 20 mph advisory speed for the 500 foot radius curve at the south end of the bridge, to allow a straight bridge with a normal crown cross section to match existing and to avoid extending the project to add superelevation or straighten the exiting curve.

Motion was made by Mr. Jorden, seconded by Mr. Salzer, to amend the agenda to consider accepting the design exceptions for the Caplis Sligo Road Over Red Chute Bridge to maintain the existing roadway alignment

and 20 mph advisory speed for the 500 foot radius curve at the south end of the bridge, to allow a straight bridge with a normal crown cross section to match existing and to avoid extending the project to add superelevation or straighten the exiting curve, and to authorize execution of documents.

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

YEAS: Mr. Benton, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Darby, Mr. Gray, Mr. Jorden, Mr. Marsiglia, Ms. Parks, Mr. Plummer, Mr. Rimmer, Mr. Rodgers, Mr. Salzer
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Mr. Brotherton

Motion was made by Mr. Plummer, seconded by Mr. Salzer, to accept the design exceptions for the Caplis Sligo Road Over Red Chute Bridge to maintain the existing roadway alignment and 20 mph advisory speed for the 500 foot radius curve at the south end of the bridge, to allow a straight bridge with a normal crown cross section to match existing and to avoid extending the project to add superelevation or straighten the exiting curve, and to authorize execution of documents.

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

RESOLUTION OF THE BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY
 DESIGN EXCEPTIONS FOR CAPLIS SLIGO ROAD OVER
 RED CHUTE BRIDGE REPLACEMENT PROJECT

A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING TO THE LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND DEVELOPMENT THAT BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY AGREES WITH DESIGN EXCEPTIONS FOR CAPLIS SLIGO ROAD OVER RED CHUTE BRIDGE TO MAINTAIN THE EXISTING ROADWAY ALIGNMENT AND 20 MPH ADVISORY SPEED FOR THE 500 FT. RADIUS CURVE AT THE SOUTH END OF THE BRIDGE, TO ALLOW A STRAIGHT BRIDGE WITH A NORMAL CROWN CROSS SECTION TO MATCH EXISTING AND TO AVOID EXTENDING THE PROJECT TO ADD SUPERELEVATION OR STRAIGHTEN THE EXISTING CURVE.

WHEREAS, the LA Department of Transportation and Development (DOTD) is proposing improvements to the Caplis Sligo Road Over Red Chute Bridge under the IJA Off-System Bridge Program; and

WHEREAS, the DOTD and the Parish will provide certain aspects of this project as part of this program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Bossier Parish Police Jury does hereby confirm to the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development that Bossier Parish Police Jury agrees with design exceptions for the Caplis Sligo Road Over Red Chute Bridge to maintain the existing roadway alignment and 20 mph advisory speed for the 500 ft. radius curve at the south end of the bridge, to allow a straight bridge with a normal crown cross section to match existing and to avoid extending the project to add superelevation or straighten the exiting curve.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Bossier Parish Police Jury hereby agrees to the design exceptions for the Caplis Sligo Road Over Red Chute Bridge Replacement Project as follows:

1. To maintain the existing roadway alignment;
2. To maintain the existing 20 mph advisory speed for the 500 ft. radius curve at the south end of the bridge;
3. The use of a straight bridge with a normal crown roadway to match existing and to avoid extending the project to add superelevation or straighten the existing curve.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption by the Bossier Parish Police Jury and approval by the Police Jury President.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Plummer, seconded by Mr. Salzer. Upon vote, it was duly adopted on this 19th day of July, 2023, with the following votes recorded:

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

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Mr. Hudson presented photographs of several parish projects and provided an update on each project.

The following minor plats have been approved administratively:

- Jeff Watkins Minor Plat (Police Jury District 4)
- Hershel and Cynthia Malone Minor Plat (Police Jury District 4)
- Barwic and Donna DeMoss Minor Plat (Police Jury District 4)
- Maurice Miles Minor Plat (Police Jury District 1)
- Mark McCrocklin Minor Plat (Police Jury District 4)
- Jonathan and Rebekah Kyzar Minor Plat (Police Jury District 3)
- Christy and Phillip Baker Minor Plat (Police Jury District 3)

Mr. Kevin Gay, Road Superintendent, presented an update on activities of the highway department and on several road projects in the parish. He stated that Animal Control has picked up 8 dogs since July 5, 2023.

Mr. Warren Saucier, Parks and Recreation Director, presented an update on activities at parks throughout Bossier Parish.

Mr. Salzer requested that the railroad be contacted to request that the railroad right-of-way located in southern Bossier Parish be cut.

Mr. Salzer expressed appreciation to all crews that assisted with storm debris clean up in the parish, as well as Bossier City.

Finance Committee Meeting – July 19, 2023, 1:30 p.m.

The Finance Committee of the Bossier Parish Police Jury met on this 19th day of July, 2023, at 1:30 p.m., in the Police Jury Meeting Room, Bossier Parish Courthouse, Benton, Louisiana, with Mr. Brotherton being absent.

Mr. Plummer asked if anyone was present that would like to address the Finance Committee to discuss an item that is currently not on the agenda. No one was present.

Motion was made by Mr. Salzer, seconded by Mr. Rodgers, to approve payment of accounts payable invoices and budget to actual monthly comparison for the month of June, 2023.

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

Motion was made by Mr. Jorden, seconded by Mr. Salzer, to approve a request from Parkway High School for discretionary funds for the purchase of a VertiMax basketball training system for various sports teams, with Mr. Plummer contributing discretionary funds in the amount of \$4,895.00. This request for discretionary funds has been approved by the Parish Attorney.

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 19th day of July, 2023, the meeting was adjourned by Mr. Rimmer at 4:42 p.m.

RACHEL D. HAUSER
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BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY