

BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY
BENTON, LOUISIANA
MINUTES
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The Bossier Parish Police Jury met in regular and legal session on the 19th day of January, 2010, at 2:00 p.m., in the Police Jury Meeting Room, Bossier Parish Courthouse, Benton, Louisiana. The President, Mr. Glenn Benton, called the meeting to order. The invocation was given by Mr. Jerome Darby and the pledge of allegiance was led by Ms. Wanda Bennett. The Parish Secretary, Ms. Cindy Dodson, called the roll, with the following members present:

Mr. William Altimus	Mr. Brad Cummings
Mr. Rick Avery	Mr. Jerome Darby
Ms. Wanda Bennett	Mr. Wayne Hammack
Mr. Glenn Benton	Mr. Winfred Johnston, excused
Mr. Barry Butler	Mr. Hank Meachum
Mr. Jimmy Cochran	Mr. Mac Plummer

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

Motion was made by Mr. Cochran, seconded by Mr. Darby, to adopt the minutes of the December 2, 2009, and December 16, 2009, regular meetings, and the December 16, 2009, Finance Committee meeting, as published. Motion carried unanimously.

The President called for the election of officers for the Bossier Parish Police Jury for the year 2010. **Motion was made by Mr. Meachum, seconded by Mr. Darby, to nominate Mr. Rick Avery as Vice President of the Bossier Parish Police Jury for the year 2010.** There being no further nominations, Mr. Rick Avery was elected as Vice President of the Bossier Parish Police Jury for the year 2010 by acclamation.

The President called for nominations for President of the Bossier Parish Police Jury for the year 2010. **Motion was made by Mr. Cochran, seconded by Mr. Darby, to nominate Ms. Wanda Bennett as President of the Bossier Parish Police Jury for the year 2010.** There being no further nominations, Ms. Wanda Bennett was elected as President of the Bossier Parish Police Jury for the year 2010 by acclamation.

Ms. Bennett presented Mr. Benton with an outgoing president's plaque in appreciation for his service as police jury president for 2009.

Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Darby, to appoint Mr. Bill Altimus as Parish Administrator for a one-year term. Motion carried, with Mr. Altimus abstaining.

Mr. Steve Marler, Diamond Oil, LLC, discussed the condition of the Cotton Valley Road. Mr. Marler stated that Diamond Oil, LLC, is a small, family-owned business located in Casper, Wyoming. He stated that they are aware of the damages to the Cotton Valley Road by oilfield trucks and equipment and advised that Diamond Oil is willing to participate in the repair of the road. Mr. Marler stated that Cotton Valley Road is a dirt road used primarily by timber companies and to access the Bodcau Wildlife Management area. He stated that recent flooding has also affected the condition of the road.

Mr. Marler stated that Diamond Oil has spent \$152,000 on Cotton Valley Road to date, and advised they have obtained an estimate in the amount of an additional \$182,000 to finish the repairs and improve the road surface. He requested that the police jury consider participating with Diamond Oil in this additional cost. Mr. Ford, Parish Engineer, stated that Diamond Oil grades the road on a daily basis so that residents of the road can reach their homes safely.

Mr. Avery expressed concern, stating that this may set a precedent and it is not financially feasible for the police jury to repair all roads in the parish which are damaged by oil and gas trucks and equipment. He stated that the police jury must be consistent in this matter.

A committee of police jury members is to meet to discuss this matter and present a recommendation at the February 3, 2010, regular meeting.

Mr. Mike Thornton, Secretary of the Village Water System Board of Directors, discussed the relocation of utilities for the Bellevue Road Improvements Project. He stated that Village Water System is a non-profit, member-owned system located along Highway 80. Mr. Thornton stated that it is requested that Village Water System relocate approximately two miles of water line in connection with the Bellevue Road project, and stated that the water system does not have the funds required to complete this work. Mr. Benton requested that the matter be referred to committee for further review. The jury concurred.

Motion was made by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Butler, to schedule a public hearing on February 17, 2010, to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development of Belle Rose at Legacy, Unit No. 3, located in Section 22, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Butler, to schedule a public hearing on February 17, 2010, to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development of Cypress Bend Garden District, Unit No. 2, located in Section 20, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Darby, to adopt a resolution authorizing the Parish Administrator to execute a contract with Fenner Consulting, LLC for design services for the equipment shelter at the highway department. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 19th day of January, 2010, that William R. Altimus, Parish Administrator, be and is hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the Bossier Parish

Police Jury, a contract with Fenner Consulting, LLC, for design services for the equipment shelter at the highway department.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Darby. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 19th day of January, 2010.

CINDY A. DODSON
PARISH SECRETARY

WANDA BENNETT, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Motion was made by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Butler, to accept the streets and drainage in Redwood Place, Unit No. 4, into the parish road system for permanent maintenance. Motion carried unanimously.

ORDINANCE NO. 4322

WHEREAS, the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session convened on the 19th day of January, 2010, has received a request from Southern Home Builders, Inc. that the parish accept into its system for permanent maintenance the streets and drainage in Redwood Place, Unit No. 4, Bossier Parish, Louisiana; and

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

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

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

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Bossier Parish Police Jury does hereby accept into the parish maintenance system for continuous maintenance, streets and drainage located in Redwood Place, Unit No. 4, Bossier Parish, Louisiana.

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

The Ordinance was offered by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Butler. Upon vote, it was duly adopted on this 19th day of January, 2010.

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Motion was made by Mr. Plummer, seconded by Mr. Meachum, to accept the resignation of Mr. Roy Newton from the South Bossier Fire District No. 2 Board of Commissioners, and approve the appointment of Mr. Ron Schindall to fill the unexpired term of Mr. Newton. Motion carried unanimously. Mr. Schindall's term will expire 12/31/2011.

Mr. Meachum requested that a letter of appreciation be sent to Mr. Newton for his years of service.

Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Avery, to adopt a resolution establishing a schedule of fees for connection to and use of the public water and sewer system for Consolidated Wastewater/Sewerage District No. 1 of the Parish of Bossier, State of Louisiana, regulating wastewater, and otherwise providing with respect thereto. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A SCHEDULE OF FEES FOR CONNECTION TO AND USE OF THE PUBLIC WATER AND SEWER SYSTEM FOR CONSOLIDATED WASTEWATER/SEWERAGE DISTRICT NO. 1 OF THE PARISH OF BOSSIER, STATE OF LOUISIANA REGULATING WASTEWATER, AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO

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

- Residential Water: Base Rate: \$20.00 for initial 2,000 gallons of metered water usage.
User Charge: \$3.00/1,000 gallons for each 1,000 gallons of metered water usage or portion thereof over initial 2,000 gallons.
- Commercial Water: Base Rate: \$35.00 for initial 2,000 gallons of metered water usage.
User Charge: \$3.00/1,000 gallons for each 1,000 gallons of metered water usage or portion thereof over initial 2,000 gallons.
- Residential Sewer: Base Rate: \$30.00 for initial 2,000 gallons of metered water usage.
User Charge: \$2.50/1,000 gallons for each 1,000 gallons of metered water usage or portion thereof over initial 2,000 gallons.
- Commercial Sewer: Base Rate: \$50.00 for initial 2,000 gallons of metered water usage.
User Charge: \$2.50/1,000 gallons for each 1,000 gallons of metered water usage or portion thereof over initial 2,000 gallons.

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

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

The resolution was offered by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Avery. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 19th day of January, 2010.

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Motion was made by Mr. Cochran, seconded by Mr. Darby, to authorize the following police jurors and staff to attend the upcoming Police Jury Association Convention in Lake Charles, LA, on February 25-27, 2010:

- Mr. Altimus
- Mr. Benton
- Mr. Darby
- Mr. Meachum
- Mr. Jackson
- Mr. Ford
- Ms. Dodson
- Ms. Grappe

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Mr. Meachum, seconded by Mr. Benton, to approve Plan Change No. 1 on the Moore Road Project No. 2009-179, and to authorize the President to execute documents. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 19th day of January, 2010, that it does hereby approve Plan Change No. 1 on the Moore Road Project No. 2009-179.

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

The resolution was offered by Mr. Meachum, seconded by Mr. Benton. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 19th day of January, 2010.

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Motion was made by Mr. Plummer, seconded by Mr. Hammack, to approve the Agreement for the Exchange of Property with the United States Department of Interior-U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service for property in conjunction with the construction of the Arthur Ray Teague Parkway, and to authorize the Parish Administrator to execute documents. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 19th day of January, 2010, that it does hereby approve the Agreement for the Exchange of Property with the United States Department of the Interior-United States Fish and Wildlife Service for property in conjunction with the construction of the Arthur Ray Teague Parkway.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that William R. Altimus, Parish Administrator, be and is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents in connection with said agreement.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Plummer, seconded by Mr. Hammack. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 19th day of January, 2010.

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Motion was made by Mr. Altimus, seconded by Mr. Hammack, to approve a decrease in the amount of reimbursement for employee mileage expense from \$0.52 per mile to \$0.50 per mile. Motion carried, with Mr. Cochran and Mr. Meachum opposing.

Motion was made by Mr. Hammack, seconded by Mr. Plummer, to accept the proposal of Aillet, Fenner, Jolly & McClelland, Inc., to provide engineering services in connection with the renovation of the HVAC at the minimum security jail facility, and to authorize the President to execute. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session convened on this 19th day of January, 2010, that it does hereby authorize the President to execute on its behalf, all documents in connection with a proposal from Aillet, Fenner, Jolly & McClelland, Inc., to provide engineering services in connection with the renovation of the HVAC at the minimum security jail facility.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Hammack, seconded by Mr. Plummer. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 19th day of January, 2010.

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Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Butler, to table the acceptance of streets and drainage in Dogwood South Subdivision, Unit No. 12, into the parish road system for permanent maintenance.

There was discussion on the motion. Mr. Ford advised that lots are being sold in this subdivision and the hold on building permits will not be lifted until the streets and drainage are accepted into the parish road system. **Motion and second were withdrawn.**

Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Butler, to accept the streets and drainage in Dogwood South Subdivision, Unit No. 12, into the parish road system for permanent maintenance, subject to further review. Motion carried unanimously.

ORDINANCE NO. 4323

WHEREAS, the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session convened on the 19th day of January, 2010, has received a request from Logan Land Development, LLC that the parish accept into its system for permanent maintenance the streets and drainage in Dogwood South Subdivision, Unit No. 12, Bossier Parish, Louisiana; and

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

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

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

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Bossier Parish Police Jury does hereby accept into the parish maintenance system for continuous maintenance, streets and drainage located in Dogwood South Subdivision, Unit No. 12, Bossier Parish, Louisiana.

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

The Ordinance was offered by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Butler. Upon vote, it was duly adopted on this 19th day of January, 2010.

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Mr. Ford, Parish Engineer, introduced Mr. Larry Landry, advising that Mr. Landry will be handling matters associated with the waterworks/sewerage district operations. Ms. Bennett welcomed Mr. Landry to the police jury office.

Mr. Ronnie Andrews, Public Works Director, reported of various road projects and on current activities of the highway department.

Jurors each extended congratulations to Ms. Bennett on her election as President and to Mr. Avery on his election as Vice President for the year 2010. Members of the jury also expressed appreciation to Mr. Benton for his service as President for 2009.

Mr. Avery discussed a building located on Burt Boulevard, across the street from the courthouse which was formerly occupied as a Dollar General Store. He stated that the building is for sale and suggested that the police jury consider purchasing it. Mr. Avery stated that this type of business is not suitable along the boulevard, and recommended that the purchaser of the building be required to change the front of the building to a more compatible design. The matter was referred to the Building and Grounds Committee for review.

Finance Committee Report-January 19, 2010, 1:30 p.m.

The Finance Committee of the Bossier Parish Police Jury met on the 19th day of January, 2010, at 1:30 p.m., in the Police Jury Meeting Room, Bossier Parish Courthouse, Benton, Louisiana, with Mr. Cummings and Mr. Johnston absent.

Motion was made by Mr. Altimus, seconded by Mr. Butler, to approve payment of accounts payable invoices in the amount of \$4,790.51 for the Johnny Gray Jones Youth Shelter for the month of December, 2009, as follows:

Jayroes Hardware & Garden	\$ 2.99
Storer Equipment Sales	\$ 801.56
Swan Lake Hardware, LLC	\$ 13.97
VCC & Janitorial Supply	\$ 25.00
Emergency Power Systems	\$ 100.00
Action Fire and Safety Company	\$1,225.00
American Refrigeration & Ice	\$ 236.50
Area Wide	\$ 80.00
Neil Erwin Law, LLC	\$ 240.00
Louisiana Key & Lock Service	\$ 68.00
R E Michel Company, Inc.	\$ 37.49
Neil Erwin Law, LLC	\$ 800.00
Jack R. Lockard	\$1,160.00

Motion carried, with Mr. Cochran, Mr. Benton and Mr. Hammack abstaining from vote.

Mr. Benton discussed the Johnny Gray Jones Youth Shelter, advising that it is recommended that the police jury give notice of its intention to assume operations of the shelter. He stated that officials with Ware Youth Center have expressed an interest in managing the facility and recommended that the police jury proceed with giving 30-day notice to the Bossier Office of Community Services advising them that the police jury will take over the facility.

Mr. Altimus stated that Mr. Kenny Loftin, Ware Youth Center, has advised that the State should renew its current contract for funding to the youth shelter. He recommended that the police jury enter into a six-month contract with Ware for management and operation of the Johnny Gray Jones Youth Shelter, with an option to renew. Mr. Altimus stated that the police jury should agree to fund any financial shortages during this initial six-month period.

Mr. Benton advised that an item will be placed on the February 3, 2010, regular meeting agenda to consider giving 30-day notice to the Bossier Office of Community Services of the intention of the Bossier Parish Police Jury to assume control of the Johnny Gray Jones Youth Shelter.

Motion was made by Mr. Plummer, seconded by Mr. Darby, to approve payment of all other accounts payable invoices for the month of December, 2009. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Darby, that Mr. Benton and Mr. Meachum will contribute discretionary funds in the amount of \$268.73 each, for a total of \$537.46 to Haughton High School for jerseys for the bowling team. Motion carried unanimously.

The Finance Committee meeting was adjourned by the President.

Motion was made by Mr. Cummings, seconded by Mr. Meachum, to amend the agenda to adjourn into executive session to discuss ongoing litigation with Walton Construction. Motion carried, with the following vote recorded:

AYES: Mr. Altimus, Mr. Avery, Ms. Bennett, Mr. Benton, Mr. Butler, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Cummings, Mr. Darby, Mr. Hammack, Mr. Meachum, Mr. Plummer.

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Mr. Johnston

The meeting was reconvened and called to order by the President. No further action was taken.

There being no further business to come before the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 19th day of January, 2010, **motion was made by Mr. Butler, seconded by Mr. Altimus, to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.** The meeting was adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

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