

BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY
BENTON, LOUISIANA
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The Bossier Parish Police Jury met in regular and legal session on the 3rd day of June, 2015, at 2:00 p.m., in the Police Jury Meeting Room, Bossier Parish Courthouse, Benton, Louisiana. The President, Mr. Jack Skaggs, called the meeting to order. The invocation was given by Mr. Glenn Benton, and the pledge of allegiance was led by Mr. Bob Brotherton. The Parish Secretary, Ms. Rachel Hauser, called the roll, with all members present, as follows:

Mr. Rick Avery	Mr. Jerome Darby
Ms. Wanda Bennett	Mr. Wayne Hammack
Mr. Glenn Benton	Mr. Mac Plummer
Mr. Bob Brotherton	Mr. Doug Rimmer
Mr. Jimmy Cochran	Mr. Fred Shewmake
Mr. Sonny Cook	Mr. Jack Skaggs

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

Sealed bids were opened and read aloud for Official Journal of the Bossier Parish Police Jury for the period July 1, 2015, through June 30, 2016, as follows:

Bidder:	Bid Amount:
BOSSIER-PRESS TRIBUNE	
For printing the official proceedings	\$21,000
For other printing	\$5.00 per column inch

This is the only bid received. **Motion was made by Mr. Hammack, seconded by Mr. Benton, to accept the bid of the Bossier Press-Tribune as Official Journal of the Bossier Parish Police Jury for the period July 1, 2015, through June 30, 2016.**

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

Sealed bids were opened and read aloud for the sale of surplus property described as Lot 15-A, Correction Plat of Penny's Acres, Tax Assessment No. 116968, as follows:

Bidder:	Bid Amount:
LTP TimberQuest Fund, A Limited Partnership	\$1,010.00

Ms. Hauser advised that this is the only bid received and stated that the minimum bid acceptable is \$289.21. **Motion was made by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Hammack, to accept the bid of LTP TimberQuest Fund, A Limited Partnership, for the sale of adjudicated property described as Lot 15-A, Correction Plat of Penny's Acres, Tax Assessment No. 116968, and to authorize the Parish Administrator to execute the quitclaim deed.**

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 3rd day of June, 2015, that William Altimus, Parish Administrator, be and is hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the Bossier Parish Police Jury, a Quitclaim Deed to LTP TimberQuest Fund, a Limited Partnership, for the sale of surplus property described as Lot 15-A, Correction Plat of Penny's Acres, Tax Assessment No. 116968.

The resolution was offered by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Hammack. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 3rd day of June, 2015.

RACHEL D. HAUSER
PARISH SECRETARY

JACK SKAGGS, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Ms. Hauser announced the public hearing to consider the application of Cheri Hall to the Bossier City-Parish Metropolitan Planning Commission, for a zoning amendment to change the zoning classification of a 1.344-acre tract of land located in Section 7, Township 18 North, Range 11 West, Bossier Parish, LA, from R-A, Residential Agriculture District, to R-LD, Residential Low Density District, for a residential subdivision. The application received a favorable recommendation from the Bossier City-Parish MPC.

There being no opposition, **motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Brotherton, to approve the application of Cheri Hall to the Bossier City-Parish Metropolitan Planning Commission, for a zoning amendment to change the zoning classification of a 1.344-acre tract of land located in Section 7, Township 18 North, Range 11 West, Bossier Parish, LA, from R-A, Residential Agriculture District, to R-LD, Residential Low Density District, for a residential subdivision.**

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

ORDINANCE NO. 4574

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND BOSSIER PARISH ORDINANCE NO. 3908 OF 2003, WHICH ADOPTED A UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT CODE FOR THE BOSSIER CITY-PARISH METROPOLITAN PLANNING COMMISSION AND THE PARISH OF BOSSIER, LOUISIANA, BY CHANGING THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF A 1.344-ACRE TRACT OF LAND LOCATED IN SECTION 7, TOWNSHIP 18 NORTH, RANGE 11 WEST, BOSSIER PARISH, LA, FROM R-A, RESIDENTIAL AGRICULTURE DISTRICT, TO R-LD, RESIDENTIAL LOW DENSITY DISTRICT, FOR A RESIDENTIAL SUBDIVISION

BE IT ORDAINED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session convened on this 3rd day of June, 2015, that Ordinance No. 3908 of 2003 (Unified Development Code) of the Police Jury of Bossier Parish, is hereby amended to change the zoning classification of a 1.344-acre tract of land located in Section 7, Township 18 North, Range

11 West, Bossier Parish, LA, from R-A, Residential Agriculture District, to R-LD, Residential Low Density District, for a residential subdivision, being more particularly described as follows:

A division of a 1.344-acre, more or less, tract into 2 parcels of property as Tract 1 and Tract 2 and located in the Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 7, Township 18 North, Range 11 West, Bossier Parish, Louisiana, and more particularly described as follows:

Tract 1:

From the Northeast corner of the Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 7, Township 18 North, Range 11 West, Bossier Parish, Louisiana, and a found 1 inch iron pipe, run south, a distance of 525.18 feet, thence run west, a distance of 943.87 feet to a found ½ inch iron pipe and the point of beginning. Thence run west, a distance of 201.40 feet to a set ½ inch iron rod. Thence run north 00°04'15" east, a distance of 152.99 feet to the southerly right-of-way of Piney Drive and a set railroad spike. Thence run along said right-of-way north 89°58'31" east, a distance of 201.40 feet to a found railroad spike. Thence leaving said right-of-way, run south 00°04'15" west, a distance of 153.07 feet to a found ½ inch iron pipe and the point of beginning. Said property, together with all its buildings and improvements, and subject to any rights-of-way, servitudes or restrictions of record, containing 0.708 acres, more or less.

Tract 2:

From the Northeast corner of the Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 7, Township 18 North, Range 11 West, Bossier Parish, Louisiana, and a found 1 inch iron pipe, run south, a distance of 525.18 feet. Thence run west, a distance of 1145.27 feet to a set ½ inch iron rod and the point of beginning. Thence run west, a distance of 181.29 feet to a found 1 inch iron pipe. Thence run north 00°02'57" east, a distance of 152.91 feet to the southerly right-of-way of Piney Drive and a found railroad spike. Thence run along said right-of-way north 89°58'31" east, a distance of 181.35 feet to a set railroad spike. Thence leaving said right-of-way, run south 00°04'15" west, a distance of 152.99 feet to a set ½ inch iron rod and the point of beginning. Said property, together with all its improvements, and subject to any rights-of-way, servitudes or restrictions of record containing 0.637 acres, more or less.

Applicant: Cheri Hall
 Purpose: Residential Subdivision

The ordinance was offered by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Brotherton. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 3rd day of June, 2015.

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Ms. Hauser announced the public hearing to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development of Revised Prairie Flats Subdivision, Unit No. 1-A, abandoning Lots 1, 2, 4, 6-35, 37 and 38 of Prairie Flats Subdivision, located in Section 13, Township 19 North, Range 11 West, Bossier Parish, LA.

Motion was made by Mr. Cook, seconded by Mr. Rimmer, to approve the plat of the proposed development of Revised Prairie Flats Subdivision, Unit No. 1-A, abandoning Lots 1, 2, 4, 6-35, 37 and 38 of Prairie Flats Subdivision, located in Section 13, Township 19 North, Range 11 West, Bossier Parish, LA.

The President called for public comment. Mr. Skaggs expressed concern that if the police jury approves abandoning all but three lots in Prairie Flats Subdivision, they could be setting a precedent for future developers for the abandonment of lots that cannot be sold in their development.

Mr. Jackson asked if the existing lot owners have signed a petition indicating that they are aware of the request to abandon these lots in Prairie Flats Subdivision. He stated that if abandoned, these lots can be used for any purpose as the property is located outside the jurisdiction of the metropolitan planning commission and no zoning regulations exist in this area.

Ms. Bennett presented a petition signed by all existing property owners in Prairie Flats Subdivision. Ms. Ford stated that the petition provides that the signors of the petition are not opposed to the proposed abandonment of lots 1, 2, 4, 6-35, 37 and 38 in Prairie Flats Subdivision, and that they acknowledge that once the lots are abandoned, the current covenants no longer apply to those lots. He stated that the petition further provides that the signors acknowledge and are aware that there are no zoning regulations in this part of the parish and there will be no restrictions on the types of buildings or activities on the abandoned lots.

Mr. Benton expressed concern that if an existing lot owner sells his property in the future, the potential buyer will not be made aware that these lots are not a part of Prairie Flats Subdivision. Mr. Jackson stated that the proposed plat for Revised Prairie Flats Subdivision, Unit No. 1-A, will be filed and available to the public, but there is no guarantee that a future buyer will be made aware that the property beside them is not part of the subdivision.

Mr. John Vice, developer of Prairie Flats Subdivision, stated that this property is located in rural Bossier Parish. He stated that the existing lot owners in Prairie Flats Subdivision have stated that they are in agreement with the land surrounding their homes being returned to farmland. He stated that he is currently paying taxes on the lots in Prairie Flats Subdivision that have not been sold, and he is asking that these unsold lots be returned to farmland to reduce the amount of taxes owed on the property. He stated that he has no plans to sell the property.

After further discussion, **votes were cast and the motion failed with the following votes recorded:**

AYES: Ms. Bennett, Mr. Brotherton, Mr. Cook, Mr. Plummer, Mr. Rimmer
NAYS: Mr. Avery, Mr. Benton, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Darby, Mr. Shewmake, Mr. Skaggs
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None
NO VOTE RECORDED: Mr. Hammack

Ms. Hauser announced the public hearing to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development of The Crossing at Wemple Subdivision, Unit No. 3, being a Planned Unit Development, located in Sections 32 and 33, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA.

Mr. Ryan Estess, Raley and Associates, Inc., was present. Mr. Ford recommended that the fourth paragraph of the "Notes" section on the proposed plat that provides that the surveyor does not guarantee that all servitudes of record or use affecting the property are shown on the survey, be removed from the plat in its entirety. He further recommended that research be done to ensure that there are no servitudes affected by the proposed development.

After further discussion, **motion was made by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Shewmake, to approve the plat of the proposed development of The Crossing at Wemple Subdivision, Unit No. 3, being a Planned Unit Development, located in Sections 32 and 33, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA, subject to removal of the fourth paragraph of the "Notes" section on the proposed plat in its entirety, as stated above, and that research be done to ensure that there are no servitudes affected by the proposed development.**

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

Ms. Hauser announced the hearing to consider condemnation of property at 476 Bodcau Spur Road, Haughton, LA, Tax Assessment No. 115059. Mr. David Ghormley, Property Standards Officer, presented current photographs of the property advising that there has been no change in the condition of the property.

Mr. Marcus Moody, 124 Crestwood Drive, Haughton, LA, was present on behalf of one of the property owners, Mr. John Moore. Mr. Benton stated that he has spoken with Mr. Moody regarding this property and recommended that the owner be given a 30-day extension in which to complete cleanup of the property.

Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Darby, to allow the owner of property at 476 Bodcau Spur Road, Haughton, LA, Tax Assessment No. 115059, 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 July 15, 2015, regular meeting.

Ms. Hauser announced the hearing to consider condemnation of property described as a 28.244-acre tract of land located behind Haymeadow Subdivision, Benton, LA, Tax Assessment No. 165133. Mr. Ghormley presented current photographs of the property advising that there has been no change in the condition of the property.

Motion was made by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Benton, to proceed with condemnation of property described as a 28.244-acre tract of land located behind Haymeadow Subdivision, Benton, LA, Tax Assessment No. 165133, 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 hearing to consider condemnation of property at 209 Mill Creek Lane, Haughton, LA. Mr. Ghormley presented current photographs of the property advising that the property is now in compliance with property standards regulations. He recommended that condemnation proceedings be dismissed.

Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Shewmake, to dismiss condemnation proceedings on property at 209 Mill Creek Lane, Haughton, LA.

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

Motion was made by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Rimmer, to ratify approval of a rental increase at the Cyber Innovation Center, and to amend the agreement with the Cyber Innovation Center accordingly.

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. Cook, to ratify and accept the recommendation of the Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Unit Board of Appeals on May 20, 2015, to uphold the findings of the Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Unit in the matter of Pinnergy, Ltd, Report No. 1078, issued on March 24, 2015.

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

Motion was made by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Cook, to ratify and accept the recommendation of the Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Unit Board of Appeals on May 20, 2015, to uphold the findings of the Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Unit, in the matter of 2B Trucking, LLC, Report No. 1067, issued on March 13, 2015.

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

Motion was made by Mr. Rimmer, seconded by Mr. Plummer, to adopt a resolution ratifying Mr. William Altimus' signature on any and all documents in connection with a Proof of Claim in the matter of Horseshoe Entertainment, United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Illinois, Case No. 15-01200.

The President called for public comment. Mr. Avery asked how local vendors can protect themselves to ensure that they will receive payment for their services to Horseshoe Entertainment. Mr. Jackson recommended that vendors file a Proof of Claim as soon as possible.

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 3rd day of June, 2015, that William R. Altimus, Parish Administrator, be and is hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the Bossier Parish Police Jury, any and all documents in connection with a Proof of Claim in the matter of Horseshoe Entertainment, United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Illinois, Case No. 15-01200.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Rimmer, seconded by Mr. Plummer. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 3rd day of June, 2015.

RACHEL D. HAUSER
PARISH SECRETARY

JACK SKAGGS, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Motion was made by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Rimmer, to adopt a resolution ratifying Mr. William Altimus' signature on any and all documents in connection with a Proof of Claim in the matter of Harrah's Bossier City Investment Company, LLC, United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Illinois, Case No. 15-01218.

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 3rd day of June, 2015, that William R. Altimus, Parish Administrator, be and is hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the Bossier Parish Police Jury, any and all documents in connection with a Proof of Claim in the matter of Harrah's Bossier City Investment Company, LLC, United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Illinois, Case No. 15-01218.

The resolution was offered by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Rimmer. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 3rd day of June, 2015.

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Motion was made by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Benton, to accept the proposal of David W. Volentine, MAI, in the amount of \$10,500, to provide appraisal services for the Kingston Road Improvements Project-Phase II (Turn Lane), 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 3rd day of June, 2015, that Jack Skaggs, 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 David W. Volentine, MAI, in the amount of \$10,500, to provide appraisal services for the Kingston Road Improvements Project-Phase II (Turn Lane).

The resolution was offered by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Benton. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 3rd day of June, 2015.

RACHEL D. HAUSER
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Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Shewmake, to accept the streets and drainage in Redwood Place Subdivision, Unit No. 7, into the parish road system for permanent maintenance.

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

ORDINANCE NO. 4575

WHEREAS, the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session convened on the 3rd day of June, 2015, 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 Subdivision, Unit No. 7, 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 Subdivision, Unit No. 7, Bossier Parish, Louisiana:

- Grand Cane Lane – 0.196 mile
- Sabine Pass Drive – 0.074 mile

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

The Ordinance was offered by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Shewmake. Upon vote, it was duly adopted on this 3rd day of June, 2015.

RACHEL D. HAUSER
PARISH SECRETARY

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Mr. Ford presented Plan Change No. 1 on the Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District No. 1 of the Parish of Bossier Primary Lift Stations and Force Mains – North Bossier Parish Area Contract “B” – Sewer Lift Station, advising there are no costs involved with this plan change. **Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Brotherton, to approve Plan Change No. 1 on the Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District No. 1 of the Parish of Bossier Primary Lift Stations and Force Mains – North Bossier Parish Area Contract “B” – Sewer Lift Station, and to authorize the President to execute documents.**

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

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 3rd day of June, 2015, that it does hereby approve Plan Change No. 1 on the Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District No. 1 of the Parish of Bossier Primary Lift Stations and Force Mains – North Bossier Parish Area Contract “B” – Sewer Lift Station.

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

The resolution was offered by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Brotherton. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 3rd day of June, 2015.

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Mr. Ford presented a proposal from Neel-Schaffer to conduct a traffic study on Modica Lott Road, Swan Lake Road and at W.T. Lewis Elementary School. He stated that a meeting was recently held with representatives from the Bossier Parish School Board and the City of Bossier City to discuss improvements to the Swan Lake Road Extension north at W.T. Lewis Elementary School, stating that five lanes versus three lanes is being considered. He further stated that the Miciotto family has expressed interest in donating property for an access road from Swan Lake Road to Airline Drive.

Mr. Ford stated that a new development planned on Modica Lott Road was discussed, advising that this development will add an additional 270 homes and create additional traffic.

Mr. Ford stated that there are traffic issues in this area that need to be addressed as soon as possible. He recommended approval of the proposal from Neel-Schaffer for a traffic study and stated that once complete, the City of Bossier City and the Bossier Parish School Board will be asked to participate in the recommended improvements in this area.

Motion was made by Mr. Rimmer, seconded by Mr. Avery, to accept the proposal of Neel-Schaffer in an amount not to exceed \$10,000 for a traffic study analysis on Modica Lott Road, Swan Lake Road, and at W.T. Lewis Elementary School, and to authorize execution of documents.

The President called for public comment. Mr. Ford stated that there are several landowners in this area that are not willing to donate property for improvements on Swan Lake Road, stating that they have expressed concern that this will cause a decrease in property values. Mr. Avery requested that the property owners be provided with an estimated appraisal of these properties once a traffic study has been complete to show that improvements will potentially increase property values.

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 3rd day of June, 2015, that Jack Skaggs, 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 Neel-Schaffer in an amount not to exceed \$10,000 for a traffic study analysis on Modica Lott Road, Swan Lake Road, and at W.T. Lewis Elementary School.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Rimmer, seconded by Mr. Avery. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 3rd day of June, 2015.

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Jurors were provided a copy of the district highway reports.

Mr. Altimus reported that a final Agreement with KSA Alliance, Inc., for the Water Treatment Plant Rehabilitation Study at Camp Minden has been received. He stated that an item will be placed on the June 17, 2015, agenda to ratify approval of the Agreement and authorization for execution of the document.

Mr. Altimus presented a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement between the Red River Waterway District, the City of Bossier City and Bossier Parish, for the extension of the Arthur R. Teague multi-use trail. He stated that the Red River Waterway District has agreed to design and construct the extension of the Arthur R. Teague multi-use trail, but has requested that the City of Bossier City and Bossier Parish assume ownership and maintenance of that portion of the extension built on their respective properties.

Mr. Altimus stated that a portion of the extension will be built on property owned by the U.S. Department of the Interior Fish and Wildlife Service, advising that the Department of the Interior has requested that a clause be added to the agreement between the Red River Waterway District and the Department of the Interior to provide that the Department of Interior will only maintain that portion of the extension located on its property if funds are available. He stated that the Red River Waterway District has requested that Bossier Parish be responsible for maintaining the portion located on the Department of Interior property in the event the Department of Interior does not have the necessary funding.

After further discussion, it was the concurrence of the police jury that the parish will agree to maintain and repair that portion of the extension located on the Department of Interior's property should funds not be available. Mr. Altimus stated that he will place an item on the June 17, 2015, regular meeting agenda to consider approval of the proposed Cooperative Endeavor Agreement.

Mr. Ford stated that bids will be received on several parish projects in the next few months.

Mr. Ford provided an update on the Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District No. 1 of the Parish of Bossier Primary Sewer Lift Stations and Force Mains – North Bossier Parish Area Contract "A" – Sewer Force Main.

Mr. Ford stated that authorization has been received to advertise for bids, the installation of a sewer lift station on Kingston Road and Contract 3 for the Wastewater Collection System.

Mr. Ford provided an update on the North/South Corridor Project, stating that a meeting is scheduled tomorrow to discuss the project. He stated that the project will be constructed in three phases. Mr. Ford stated that it is anticipated that the project will let in September or October of 2015.

Mr. Ford stated that in December of 2014, the Department of Transportation and Development required that the Pump Station Road Bridge be closed, advising that the Pump Station Road is a dead-end road. He stated the parish obtained a study on the bridge and lowered the load limit to 5 tons in an effort to keep the bridge open for residents living on the northern side of the bridge.

Mr. Ford reported that he has been notified that a pile cap has failed on the Pump Station Road Bridge and the bridge must be closed. He stated that all landowners are being notified of the bridge closure, advising that there are six landowners and one pesticide business that will be affected.

Mr. Ford stated that in December, 2014, the construction of a low-water crossing and replacement of the Pump Station Road Bridge was planned. He stated that due to high water during the winter and spring months, it was not possible to construct the low water crossing. Mr. Ford stated that the Pump Station Road is a tacitly dedicated road and is maintained by the parish. He stated that Mr. Lee Harvill owns the property on both sides of the road at the bridge, and that documents have been submitted to Mr. Harvill requesting that an easement be dedicated to the parish for construction of the low-water crossing. He stated that Mr. Harvill has not agreed to sign the documents.

Mr. Ford stated that he will contact Mr. Harvill today to request that he sign the documents so that parish crews can begin construction of a low-water crossing to provide residents on the north side of the Pump Station Road Bridge access to their homes and property.

Mr. Ford stated that Swepco power lines that diagonally crossed Pump Station Road Bridge have recently been relocated so that the bridge can be replaced.

Mr. Mohamed Shamsey, 107 Shamsey Road, stated that the Pump Station Road Bridge has been damaged for over a year and the parish has failed to repair the bridge in a timely manner. He stated that Pump Station Road is a dead-end road and emergency vehicles will not be able to access the homes located on the northern side of the bridge in the event of an emergency.

Mr. Altimus stated that the Department of Transportation and Development ordered the parish to close Pump Station Road Bridge in December of 2014. He stated that the parish refused to close the bridge because residents would not be able to access their homes. Mr. Shamsey stated that the parish has been aware that the bridge needed to be replaced, but failed to replace the bridge in a timely manner. Mr. Altimus stated that Swepco power lines had to be relocated prior to any work being done on the bridge, and due to high water, no work could be done on the bridge until the water receded. He stated that the parish does not own the land located on either side of the Pump Station Road Bridge, and the landowner has refused to grant an easement to the parish as of this date. Mr. Altimus stated that Mr. Ford will contact Mr. Harvill to request that he dedicate the needed easement to allow the parish to proceed with construction of a low-water crossing so that the bridge can be replaced.

Mr. Altimus stated that due to the parish's refusal to close Pump Station Road Bridge in an effort to protect the six families that live north of the bridge, Bossier Parish has been penalized by the State of Louisiana and will not receive funds from the Off-System Bridge Replacement Program for one year which affects approximately 126,000 citizens in Bossier Parish. Mr. Shamsey stated that the parish has failed to do anything to repair the Pump Station Road Bridge.

Mr. Jackson stated that the parish's only other option is to close and abandon the bridge. Ms. Bennett stated that the police jury has done everything possible to keep the Pump Station Road Bridge open for the residents, and had it not been for the parish, the bridge would have been closed in December of 2014.

Mr. Jackson stated that the residents living on Pump Station Road have the option to pay for the repairs to the bridge by taxing their own property. Mr. Shamsey stated that the residents already pay enough taxes. Mr. Ford stated that the cost to repair the Pump Station Road Bridge is approximately \$100,000 to \$150,000. He stated that the parish does not own the property on either side of the bridge, and a dedicated easement is needed from Mr. Harvill in order to move forward with the bridge repairs.

Mr. Ford presented an aerial video and photographs of flooding of the Red River in Bossier and Caddo Parishes.

Mr. Mark Coutee, Public Works Director, presented an update on activities of the highway department and on several road projects in the parish. He reported that four miles of the 2015 Road Overlay Program are now complete.

Mr. Brotherton requested that a Road/Subdivision Regulations Committee meeting be scheduled on June 17, 2015, to discuss mobile home dealers selling and placing homes on property with an existing dwelling.

Appreciation was extended to the police jury staff for their work during the flooding.

Mr. Jackson extended appreciation to the Bossier Parish Sheriff's Department for their assistance during the flooding.

Mr. Jackson reported that the United States District Court has dismissed the G&H Development, LLC, lawsuit. He stated that there is a potential for an appeal. He expressed appreciation to all legal counsel who assisted in this matter.

There being no further business to come before the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 3rd day of June, 2015, the meeting was adjourned by the President at 3:16 p.m.

RACHEL D. HAUSER
PARISH SECRETARY

JACK SKAGGS, PRESIDENT
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