

BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY  
BENTON, LOUISIANA  
AMENDED MINUTES  
February 20, 2019  
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The Bossier Parish Police Jury met in regular and legal session on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2019, 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. Glenn Benton, and the pledge of allegiance was led by Mr. Jack Skaggs. Ms. Julie Gill, Secretary for the Parish Attorney, called the roll, with all members present, as follows:

Mr. Rick Avery	Mr. Jerome Darby
Ms. Wanda Bennett	Mr. Mac Plummer
Mr. Glenn Benton	Mr. Doug Rimmer
Mr. Bob Brotherton, Excused	Mr. Tom Salzer
Mr. Jimmy Cochran	Mr. Fred Shewmake
Mr. Norman Craig	Mr. Jack Skaggs

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

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**Motion was made by Mr. Shewmake, seconded by Mr. Skaggs, to adopt the minutes of the January 16, 2019, regular meeting, and the January 16, 2019, Finance Committee meeting, as published.**

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

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Mr. Ford stated that Raley and Associates, Inc., has recommended that the low bid of F. J. Burnell, Inc., in the amount of \$232,579.00, be accepted for the Kingston Road at Louisiana Highway 3 and Kingston Road at Airline Drive Turn Lanes Project No. 2018-549.

**Motion was made by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Skaggs, to award the bid for the Kingston Road at Louisiana Highway 3 and Kingston Road at Airline Drive Turn Lanes Project No. 2018-549, in the amount of \$232,579.00, to F. J. Burnell, Inc., low bidder meeting bid specifications in accordance with bids received on February 14, 2019.**

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

Bidder:	Bid Amount:
CW&W Contractors, Inc.	\$307,410.50
Specialty Trackhoe & Dozer Service	\$331,815.00
MAC Contracting Group, Inc.	\$373,000.00
Cross Keys Construction Company, Inc.	\$320,075.00
F.J. Burnell, Inc.	\$232,579.00
T.L. Construction, LLC	\$453,065.70

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 20<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2019, that William R. Altimus, Parish Administrator, or Doug Rimmer, 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 bid from F. J. Burnell, Inc., in the amount of \$232,579.00, for the Kingston Road at Louisiana Highway 3 and Kingston Road at Airline Drive Turn Lanes Project No. 2018-549.

The resolution was offered by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Skaggs. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 20<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2019.

RACHEL D. HAUSER  
PARISH SECRETARY

DOUG RIMMER, PRESIDENT  
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

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Mr. Ford stated that Raley and Associates, Inc., has recommended that the low bid of Wilhite Electric Company, Inc., in the amount of \$136,295.00, be accepted for the Kingston Road at Fairburn Avenue Traffic Signalization Project No. 2018-550.

**Motion was made by Mr. Skaggs, seconded by Ms. Bennett, to award the bid for the Kingston Road at Fairburn Avenue Traffic Signalization Project No. 2018-550, in the amount of \$136,295.00, to Wilhite Electric Company, Inc., low bidder meeting bid specifications in accordance with bids received on February 14, 2019.**

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

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 20<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2019, that William R. Altimus, Parish Administrator, or Doug Rimmer, 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 bid from Wilhite Electric Company, Inc., in the amount of \$136,295.00, for the Kingston Road at Fairburn Avenue Traffic Signalization Project No. 2018-550.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Skaggs, seconded by Ms. Bennett. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 20<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2019.

RACHEL D. HAUSER  
PARISH SECRETARY

DOUG RIMMER, PRESIDENT  
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Mr. Ford stated that Denmon Engineering Company, Inc., has recommended that the low bid of Specialty Trackhoe & Dozer Service, in the amount of \$503,418.10, be accepted for the Kingston Road Widening, Phase II, Project No. 2018-559.

**Motion was made by Mr. Skaggs, seconded by Ms. Bennett, to award the bid for the Kingston Road Widening, Phase II, Project No. 2018-559, in the amount of \$503,418.10, to Specialty Trackhoe & Dozer Service, low bidder meeting bid specifications in accordance with bids received on February 14, 2019.**

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

Bidder:	Bid Amount:
Specialty Trackhoe & Dozer Service	\$503,418.10
T.L. Construction, LLC	\$690,927.20

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 20<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2019, that William R. Altimus, Parish Administrator, or Doug Rimmer, 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 bid from Specialty Trackhoe & Dozer Service, in the amount of \$503,418.10, for the Kingston Road Widening, Phase II, Project No. 2018-559.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Skaggs, seconded by Ms. Bennett. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 20<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2019.

RACHEL D. HAUSER  
PARISH SECRETARY

DOUG RIMMER, PRESIDENT  
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Ms. Gill announced the public hearing to discuss requests for removal of the fill over the structure at Swan Lake Road Bridge off Poole Road.

Commissioner Foster Campbell, Mr. Sam Smith, and Mr. Joey French were present. Commissioner Campbell presented documents and photographs which include names of his neighbors requesting that the fill over the failed structure at Swan Lake Road Bridge off Poole Road be removed. He stated that there is concern that the obstruction is currently causing flooding to homes, shops and farms, and will continue to do so if not removed.

Commissioner Campbell presented a report from AccuWeather predicting a wet spring, which will adversely affect the already high water level of Red River. He presented photographs of his property, as well as neighboring properties, that have previously flooded.

Commissioner Campbell stated that it is his understanding that the failed structure at Swan Lake Road Bridge off Poole Road is the cause of flooding issues to their homes and property. He stated that he also understands that the parish has received funds to replace the failed structure and that bids will be taken in the near future, but requested that the debris from the failed structure be removed immediately to ensure that no flooding will occur prior to replacement of the crossing.

Commissioner Campbell presented photographs of the failed structure, stating that the area continues to erode, and it is imperative that the debris be removed to ensure that water drains properly to Red Chute Bayou, Loggy Bayou and Red River. He discussed additional concerns pertaining to potential flooding.

Commissioner Campbell discussed the failure of an additional bridge on Swan Lake Road over Red Chute Bayou in southern Bossier Parish. He recommended that the parish abandon the bridge and allow property owners that require use of that bridge to maintain it as a private bridge. He further stated that engineers have advised him that the bridge on Swan Lake Road over Red Chute Bayou in southern Bossier Parish could be used for private use.

Commissioner Campbell discussed an additional low water crossing in this area stating that the proper permits were not obtained to install the low water crossing. He recommended that the low water crossing be removed at this location once a new bridge has been installed at Swan Lake Road Bridge off Poole Road.

Mr. Benton asked if the property owners adjacent to the bridge over Red Chute Bayou on Swan Lake Road in southern Bossier Parish would maintain the bridge if the parish abandoned said bridge. Commissioner Campbell stated that he cannot speak for those property owners, but feels that they would agree to maintain the bridge. He further stated that it is not feasible for the parish to replace the Swan Lake Road Bridge over Red Chute Bayou in southern Bossier Parish due to the projected cost.

Mr. Sam Smith, Attorney at Law, stated that Red Chute Bayou and Flat River are the two primary drainage ways in southern Bossier Parish. He provided clarification of the location of the bridges over Flat River and Red Chute Bayou on Swan Lake Road in southern Bossier Parish.

Mr. Smith stated that the main concern today is the failed structure on Swan Lake Road off Poole Road which is unsafe for public use. He stated that the failed structure is a liability issue for the parish, and if closed to the public, the parish is responsible for ensuring that the crossing is not accessible by the public.

Mr. Smith stated that the document presented to the police jury today signed by several property owners that have homes in the area of the failed structure on Swan Lake Road off Poole Road, have flooded during the recent flood events. He stated that the debris from the failed structure obstructs the flow of the water to Red Chute Bayou and Flat River.

Mr. Smith stated that it is his understanding that funds have been requested from the Federal Emergency Management Agency to replace the Swan Lake Road Bridge off Poole Road, but the existing debris is acting as a dam and needs to be removed. He discussed additional potential flooding issues in this area as a result of the failed structure and the potential liability to the parish. He recommended that the debris from the failed structure over on Swan Lake Road off Poole Road be removed immediately.

Mr. Smith discussed the bridge over Red Chute Bayou on Swan Lake Road in southern Bossier Parish, and recommended that the police jury consider abandoning the bridge to allow the adjacent property owners to maintain the bridge in order to access their properties.

Mr. Jackson stated that by the degradation of the structure on Swan Lake Road off Poole Road from the floods, it is clear that the engineers felt that the crossing is unsafe for the traveling public. He stated that the parish has attempted to block the crossing by placing earth and dams on either end and placing barricades to keep the public from using the crossing. Mr. Jackson stated that the parish does not have someone posted at this site to prevent the public from crossing, and the barricades are being removed and the traveling public is continuing to use the closed crossing.

Mr. Jackson stated that the parish has reports that do not coincide with the report from Mr. Smith pertaining to the effect the structure at the crossing has on flooding in this area. He stated that the failed structure is unsafe and parish engineers have determined that it is unsafe, but the public is still utilizing the crossing. He further stated that the only course of action to prevent the public from continuing to utilize the closed crossing is to completely dig out the entire structure.

Mr. Benton stated that if the parish removes the structure at Swan Lake Road Bridge off Poole Road prior to the parish receiving approved FEMA funds to replace the bridge, the parish will not be reimbursed the expense for removal of the structure.

After further discussion, **motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Plummer, to authorize removal of dirt from around the structure at Swan Lake Road Bridge off Poole Road in order to assist with the flow of drainage, and authorize the Parish Attorney and Parish Engineer to pursue the potential abandonment of the Swan Lake Road Bridge over Red Chute Bayou in southern Bossier Parish to allow adjacent property owners to maintain the bridge.**

The President called for public comment. Mr. Salzer recommended that some type of barrier be placed at Swan Lake Road Bridge off Poole Road that the public will be unable to move or go around. Mr. Benton stated that once the parish removes the dirt from around the structure, no one will be able to cross.

Commissioner Campbell stated that the cost for the parish to remove the entire structure is a minimal cost to the parish and should be removed immediately. Mr. Benton stated that the flow of drainage is not being hindered by the existing structure at Swan Lake Road off Poole Road.

Commissioner Campbell requested clarification as to whether FEMA will or will not reimburse the parish for removal of the structure if the structure is removed prior to the parish receiving FEMA funds.

Mr. Jackson stated that a motion and second has been made to authorize removal of the dirt from around the structure at Swan Lake Road off Poole Road which will provide immediate relief for any potential flooding issues. He stated that a project, which has already been approved by FEMA, is scheduled to be let in July of 2019 to remove the structure at Swan Lake Road off Poole Road. He further stated that the parish does not have the means to remove the structure immediately and would have to contract the work out. Mr. Jackson stated that a contract is already in place for removal of the structure and the project will be let in July of 2019.

There was further discussion pertaining to low water crossings in this area. Commissioner Campbell stated that low water crossings in this area have been constructed without the proper permits. Mr. Jackson stated that the issue being considered at today's meeting is whether the parish will immediately remove dirt from around the structure at Swan Lake Road off Poole Road, which a motion and second has been made to authorize said removal of dirt, and any other concerns pertaining to other bridges or low water crossings will need to be reviewed and discussed at a later date.

Commissioner Campbell stated that the entire structure needs to be removed immediately at Swan Lake Road off Poole Road. He stated that removal of the dirt will help, but it will not alleviate the issues of flooding in this area.

Mr. Reggie Lewis, Raley and Associates, Inc., stated that it is his understanding that there is a motion and second by the police jury to remove an embankment on Swan Lake Road off Poole Road, and to authorize the Parish Attorney and Parish Engineer to pursue actions to possibly abandon a timber bridge located on Swan Lake Road over Red Chute Bayou in southern Bossier Parish. He stated that it is further his understanding that the timber bridge is currently closed due to being deemed unsafe for the traveling public, and if abandoned by the parish, it will allow the adjacent property owners to maintain the bridge as a private bridge. He stated that a low water crossing located upstream from the embankment at Swan Lake Road off Poole Road has also been discussed as a concern of obstructing the flow of drainage. Mr. Lewis asked if Mr. Benton's motion passes and the embankment at Swan Lake Road off Poole Road is removed, what will be the primary ingress and egress for property owners west of Red Chute Bayou.

Mr. Jackson stated that the timber bridge at Swan Lake Road over Red Chute Bayou in southern Bossier Parish has been closed for some time due to being deemed unsafe for the traveling public, and the crossing at Swan Lake Road off Poole Road has been closed for some time as well. He stated that parish barricades located at Swan Lake Road off Poole Road are being moved by the public. Mr. Jackson stated that the low water crossing located upstream is not the cause of today's public hearing.

Mr. Lewis asked how property owners located west of Red Chute Bayou will be able to access their property if the Swan Lake Road Bridge off Poole Road and the timber bridge on Swan Lake Road over Red Chute Bayou in southern Bossier Parish are closed and inaccessible. Mr. Jackson stated that the property owners will be required to either use the low water crossing located upstream or use a boat to cross the water.

**Votes were cast and the motion carried unanimously.**

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Ms. Gill announced the public hearing to consider the application of Black Cypress Development to the Benton-Parish Metropolitan Planning Commission for a zoning amendment to change the zoning classification of a 10.363-acre tract of land, more or less, located in Section 17, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA, from R-A, Residence-Agriculture District, to B-2, Neighborhood Business District, for future commercial development. The application received a favorable recommendation from the Benton-Parish MPC.

Mr. Jeff Spikes, 417 Lake Drive, Shreveport, LA, was present on behalf of the developer. He stated that commercial development is planned along Kingston Road, and provided additional information pertaining to possible commercial businesses being considered at that location.

There being no objection, **motion was made by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Skaggs, to approve the application of Black Cypress Development to the Benton-Parish Metropolitan Planning Commission for a zoning amendment to change the zoning classification of a 10.363-acre tract of land, more or less, located in Section 17, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA, from R-A, Residence-Agriculture District, to B-2, Neighborhood Business District, for future commercial development.**

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

## ORDINANCE NO. 4712

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 922 OF 1981, THE BENTON-PARISH METROPOLITAN PLANNING COMMISSION ZONING REGULATIONS, TO CHANGE THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF A 10.363-ACRE TRACT OF LAND, MORE OR LESS, LOCATED IN SECTION 17, TOWNSHIP 19 NORTH, RANGE 13 WEST, BOSSIER PARISH, LA, FROM R-A, RESIDENCE-AGRICULTURE DISTRICT, TO B-2, NEIGHBORHOOD BUSINESS DISTRICT, FOR FUTURE COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT

BE IT ORDAINED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session convened on this 20<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2019, that Ordinance No. 922 of 1981 of the Police Jury of Bossier Parish, Louisiana, is hereby amended to change the zoning classification of a 10.363-acre tract of land, more or less, located in Section 17, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA, from R-A, Residence-Agriculture District, to B-2, Neighborhood Business District, for future commercial development, being more particularly described as follows:

The Bossier Parish School Board property located in the west half of Section 17, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Northwestern Land District, Bossier Parish, LA.

Applicant: Black Cypress Development

Purpose: Future Commercial Development

The ordinance was offered by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Skaggs. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 20<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2019.

RACHEL D. HAUSER  
PARISH SECRETARY

DOUG RIMMER, PRESIDENT  
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

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Ms. Gill announced the public hearing to consider approval of the Minor Plat for Andrew Kuhn Properties, LLC, located in Section 27, Township 19 North, Range 12 West, Bossier Parish, LA.

Mr. Cody Goodwin, Goodwin Professional Services, LLC, was present on behalf of the property owner. He stated that the property owner is requesting approval to subdivide the northern portion of an approximate 80-acre tract of land for the purpose of selling that portion.

Mr. Goodwin stated that it has been determined that the portion of Bellevue Road located on the approximate 80-acre tract of land has not been formally dedicated to the parish. He stated that the property owner is also requesting to formally dedicate that portion of Bellevue Road located on the approximate 80-acre tract of land.

Mr. Ford stated that the property owner is requesting to dedicate a 70-foot easement, known as that portion of Bellevue Road located on the approximate 80-acre tract of land, and subdivide a 23.091-acre tract of land from the approximate 80-acre tract of land for the purpose of selling said 23.091 acres.

There being no objection, **motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Cochran, to approve the Minor Plat for Andrew Kuhn Properties, LLC, located in Section 27, Township 19 North, Range 12 West, Bossier Parish, LA, and dedication of a 70-foot wide easement, known as that portion of Bellevue Road, located on the original approximate 80-acre tract of land.**

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

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Ms. Gill announced the public hearing to consider approval of the Minor Plat for Pace Properties, LLC, located in Section 28, Township 23 North, Range 12 West, Bossier Parish, LA.

Mr. Cody Goodwin, Goodwin Professional Services, LLC, was present on behalf of the property owner. He stated that the property owner is requesting to subdivide a 3.5-acre tract from the larger tract for tax purposes. He further stated that the plat provides for a 30-foot access easement to the proposed 3.5-acre tract of land, and it is understood that the parish will never maintain said easement.

There being no objection, **motion was made by Mr. Craig, seconded by Mr. Shewmake, to approve the Minor Plat for Pace Properties, LLC, located in Section 28, Township 23 North, Range 12 West, Bossier Parish, LA, with the understanding that the Bossier Parish Police Jury will never maintain the 30-foot access easement.**

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

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Ms. Gill announced the public hearing to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development of Fairburn Subdivision, Unit No. 2, a resubdivision of Fairburn Subdivision, located in Section 17, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA.

Mr. Charlie Coyle, Coyle Engineering Co., Inc., provided the police jury with information pertaining to the subdivision of tracts of land off Fairburn Avenue for a future park, walking trails and retail development.

There being no objection, **motion was made by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Skaggs, to approve the plat of the proposed development of Fairburn Subdivision, Unit No. 2, a resubdivision of Fairburn Subdivision, located in Section 17, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA.**

The President called for public comment. Mr. Ford stated that the Bossier Parish School Board intends to sell the 9.414-acre tract of land to a developer. He stated that water will be provided by the City of Bossier City, and it is planned that sewerage service will be provided by the Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District No. 1 of the Parish of Bossier. He further stated that sewer connection will be at Kingston Road and St. Charles Court Subdivision. Mr. Ford stated that there is no gravity sewer at this location, and a lift station will be required with police jury approval.

Mr. Ford stated that a traffic study has been completed, and a left turn lane on Fairburn Avenue extending past the proposed park will be required. He stated that three ingresses and egresses are planned onto Fairburn Avenue and provided additional information pertaining to the planned ingresses and egresses.

Mr. Ford stated that at the time of the construction of the planned 14-foot turning lane on Fairburn Avenue, it will be required that a force main from the planned high school that runs beneath the road to a manhole will need to be relocated. He stated that a drainage study has been submitted by Coyle Engineering Company, Inc., and several detention ponds will be required.

There was further discussion pertaining to a gravity main at Fairburn Avenue and Kingston Road, planned sewer service requirements in this area, and drainage requirements that will need to be met as stated in the drainage study.

Mr. Sam Marsiglia, Bossier City-Parish Metropolitan Planning Commission, stated that there will be several issues that will need to be presented to the Bossier City-Parish MPC for additional approval for this proposed development.

**Votes were cast and the motion carried unanimously.**

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Ms. Gill announced the public hearing to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development of Fairburn Subdivision, Unit No. 3, a resubdivision of Lot 1, Fairburn Subdivision, Unit No. 2, located in Section 17, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA.

Mr. Coyle stated that the proposed Unit No. 3 is a resubdivision of Lot 1, Fairburn Subdivision, Unit No. 2, of the previously approved plat above. He stated that a bank is planned on Lot 2, and additional retail development is planned on Lot 1.

There being no objection, **motion was made by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Skaggs, to approve the plat of the proposed development of Fairburn Subdivision, Unit No. 3, a resubdivision of Lot 1, Fairburn Subdivision, Unit No. 2, located in Section 17, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA.**

The President called for public comment. Mr. Ford stated that no building permits will be issued for Lot 2, Fairburn Subdivision, until the required road improvements are complete, a maintenance bond and a three percent (3%) inspection fee has been received.

**Motion carried, with the following vote recorded:**

**AYES:** Mr. Avery, Ms. Bennett, Mr. Benton, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Darby, Mr. Plummer, Mr. Rimmer, Mr. Salzer, Mr. Shewmake, Mr. Skaggs

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTAIN:** None

**ABSENT:** Mr. Brotherton, Mr. Craig

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Ms. Gill announced the public hearing to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development of Hickory Hills Subdivision, Unit No. 1, located in Section 7, Township 19 North, Range 12 West, Bossier Parish, LA.

Mr. Travis Sturdivant, Raley and Associates, Inc., stated that the original Hickory Hills Subdivision provided for nine lots, and the developer is requesting to resubdivide the development to consist of six lots only and encompass a larger tract of land located south of the proposed development.

There being no objection, **motion was made by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Skaggs, to approve the plat of the proposed development of Hickory Hills Subdivision, Unit No. 1, located in Section 7, Township 19 North, Range 12 West, Bossier Parish, LA.**

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

**AYES:** Mr. Avery, Ms. Bennett, Mr. Benton, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Craig, Mr. Darby, Mr. Rimmer, Mr. Salzer, Mr. Shewmake, Mr. Skaggs

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTAIN:** None

**ABSENT:** Mr. Brotherton, Mr. Plummer

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Ms. Gill announced the public hearing to consider approval of the Minor Plat for Benjamin Albert Liesman, located in Section 2, Township 20 North, Range 14 West, Bossier Parish, LA.

Mr. Benjamin Liesman, property owner, was present. Mr. Ford stated that the property owner is requesting to subdivide a 1.148-acre tract of land from a larger tract for his daughter. He stated that an easement is provided for access, and it is understood that the parish will never maintain said access easement.

Mr. Benton expressed concern that if approved, this resubdivision of a lot will be a third tract of land subdivided from Mr. Liesman's property. Mr. Liesman stated that there are no plans to subdivide any further tracts of land from his property in the future.

There being no objection, **motion was made by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Skaggs, to approve the Minor Plat for Benjamin Albert Liesman, located in Section 2, Township 20 North, Range 14 West, Bossier Parish, LA, with the understanding that the Bossier Parish Police Jury will never maintain the access easement.**

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

**AYES:** Mr. Avery, Ms. Bennett, Mr. Benton, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Craig, Mr. Darby, Mr. Rimmer, Mr. Salzer, Mr. Shewmake, Mr. Skaggs

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTAIN:** None

**ABSENT:** Mr. Brotherton, Mr. Plummer

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**Motion was made by Mr. Salzer, seconded by Mr. Craig, to schedule a public hearing on March 20, 2019, to consider relocation of the voting precinct polling place for Precincts 04-8C and 04-8F, from Fellowship United Methodist Church, 4750 Barksdale Boulevard, Bossier City, LA, to Elm Grove Middle School, 4301 Panther Drive, Bossier City, LA.**

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

**AYES:** Mr. Avery, Ms. Bennett, Mr. Benton, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Craig, Mr. Darby, Mr. Rimmer, Mr. Salzer, Mr. Shewmake, Mr. Skaggs

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTAIN:** None

**ABSENT: Mr. Brotherton, Mr. Plummer**

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**Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Cochran, to schedule a public hearing on March 20, 2019, to consider the application of Travis Beaty, Beaty Land, LLC, to the Bossier City-Parish Metropolitan Planning Commission for a zoning amendment to change the zoning classification of a tract of land containing 56.453 acres, located on the corner of LA Highway 614 and Interstate 20, in Section 18, 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.**

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Mr. Glenn Benton, Chairman of the Road/Subdivision Regulations Committee, reported on a meeting of that committee. Committee members attending the Road/Subdivision Regulations Committee meeting were Mr. Benton, Mr. Plummer, Ms. Bennett, Mr. Shewmake, Mr. Rimmer, Mr. Avery, and Mr. Craig. Mr. Randy Denmon, Ms. Monica Grappe, Ms. Julie Gill, Mr. Sam Marsiglia, Mr. Joe Buffington, Mr. Eric Hudson, and Mr. Shaun Toups were also present. Other jurors present were Mr. Salzer and Mr. Darby.

Mr. Ford stated that an update was provided to the committee from Denmon Engineering, Inc., on the extension of Arthur Ray Teague Parkway/Sligo Road Extension to Highway 527, stating that right-of-way acquisitions will begin in the near future.

Mr. Ford stated that the committee discussed the Sligo Road Bridge over Fox Skin Bayou. He stated that acquisition of property will begin in the near future.

Mr. Ford reported that the committee discussed the Swan Lake Road Bridge over Flat River project.

Mr. Ford stated that a request has been presented to the Road/Subdivision Regulations Committee for the expenditure of funds in the amount of \$15,000.00 for a study to extend Remco Drive off Highway 80 to Bodcau Station Road.

Mr. Ford stated that the committee discussed the extension of Linton Road to Fairburn Avenue. He stated that the committee also discussed the five projects on Kingston Road. Mr. Ford stated that the news media will be provided with information on these projects in order to keep the public aware of construction in the Kingston Road area.

Mr. Ford reported that the committee discussed the Swan Lake Road for State Project No. H.003854.6-R1 Bossier North-South Corridor Swan Lake Rd (I-220 to Flat River). He stated that it is planned that beginning June 1, 2019, the Swan Lake Road Bridge over Flat River will be closed for replacement, and it is anticipated that the bridge will reopen on August 5, 2019.

Mr. Ford stated that the committee discussed the Linton Road Bridge over Black Bayou, and it is anticipated that bridge will be replaced in the year 2020.

**Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Craig, to amend the agenda to accept the recommendation of the Road/Subdivision Regulations Committee to authorize the expenditure of funds in the amount of \$15,000.00 for a traffic study for the extension of Remco Drive from Bodcau Station Road to Highway 80.**

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

- AYES: Mr. Avery, Ms. Bennett, Mr. Benton, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Craig, Mr. Darby, Mr. Plummer, Mr. Rimmer, Mr. Salzer, Mr. Shewmake, Mr. Skaggs**
- NAYS: None**
- ABSTAIN: None**
- ABSENT: Mr. Brotherton**

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**Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Darby, to accept the recommendation of the Road/Subdivision Regulations Committee to authorize the expenditure of funds in the amount of \$15,000.00 for a traffic study for the extension of Remco Drive from Bodcau Station Road to Highway 80.**

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

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**Motion was made by Mr. Plummer, seconded by Mr. Salzer, to approve the appointment of Mr. Jay Arnold to the Cyber Innovation Center Board for a five-year term, term to expire February 3, 2024.**

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

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**Motion was made by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Benton, to approve the joint reappointment with the City of Bossier City of Mr. Billy Jordan and Mr. John Mark Robertson to the Board of Directors for Bossier Parish Communications District No. 1 for four-year terms each, terms to expire March 1, 2023.**

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

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**Motion was made by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Shewmake, to approve the request of Holy Angles and the TASTE 2019 Committee for a letter of no objection to the selling of alcohol and beer at the Bossier Civic Center, 620 Benton Road, Bossier City, LA, at a special TASTE: A Festival of Food and Art event to be held on Thursday, September 26, 2019.**

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

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Mr. Ford presented Plan Change No. 1 for the Atkins Clark Road Project No. 2018-540, advising that the plan change results in an increase in the amount of \$2,284.25. **Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Plummer, to approve Plan Change No. 1 for the Atkins Clark Road Project No. 2018-540, 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 20<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2019, that it does hereby approve Plan Change No. 1 for the Atkins Clark Road Project No. 2018-540.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that William R. Altimus, Parish Administrator, or Doug Rimmer, President, is hereby authorized to execute said Plan Change No. 1.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Plummer. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 20<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2019.

RACHEL D. HAUSER  
PARISH SECRETARY

DOUG RIMMER, PRESIDENT  
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

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Mr. Ford presented Plan Change No. 1 for the Bevly Lake Drive Project No. 2018-539, advising that the plan change results in a decrease in the amount of \$3,645.00. **Motion was made by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Craig, to approve Plan Change No. 1 for the Bevly Lake Drive Project No. 2018-539, and to authorize execution of documents.**

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

**AYES:** Mr. Avery, Ms. Bennett, Mr. Benton, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Craig, Mr. Darby, Mr. Plummer, Mr. Rimmer, Mr. Salzer, Mr. Skaggs  
**NAYS:** None  
**ABSTAIN:** None  
**ABSENT:** Mr. Brotherton, Mr. Shewmake

## RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 20<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2019, that it does hereby approve Plan Change No. 1 for the Bevly Lake Drive Project No. 2018-539.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that William R. Altimus, Parish Administrator, or Doug Rimmer, President, is hereby authorized to execute said Plan Change No. 1.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Craig. It was duly adopted on this 20<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2019, with the following vote recorded:

**AYES:** Mr. Avery, Ms. Bennett, Mr. Benton, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Craig, Mr. Darby, Mr. Plummer, Mr. Rimmer, Mr. Salzer, Mr. Skaggs  
**NAYS:** None  
**ABSTAIN:** None  
**ABSENT:** Mr. Brotherton, Mr. Shewmake

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PARISH SECRETARY

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Mr. Altimus extended congratulations to Mr. Benton for his appointment as President of the Louisiana Police Jury Association for the year 2019. He stated that the Police Jury Association Convention in Lake Charles was well attended.

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Mr. Altimus reported that Coach Billy Montgomery has been selected for induction into the Northwestern State University's alumni hall of distinction, the Long Purple Line. He stated that the Honorees will be honored at a luncheon on March 22, 2019, at 11:00 a.m. in the Friedman Student Union Ballroom at NSU.

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Mr. Altimus stated that a meeting is schedule Friday morning with Northwest Louisiana Council of Governments to discuss the possible extension of I-69. He stated that he will provide an update as information becomes available.

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Mr. Ford reported on a meeting held this morning with the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development to discuss the recent accident on Highway 80 in Houghton, LA, where a School Resources Officer conducting traffic in the school zone was hit by a vehicle. He stated that any time an accident occurs with injuries, a meeting is held with several entities to discuss possible improvements to prevent future accidents.

Mr. Keith Norwood, Bossier Parish School Board, provided additional information on the accident. He stated that the speed limit on Highway 80 is 55 miles per hour, and at the time of the accident it was dark and the school zone signs had not been activated. Mr. Norwood stated that while traffic was stopped by the School Resources Officer to allow for a bus to cross traffic, the vehicle swerved to prevent from hitting the vehicles and bus, and inadvertently hit the School Resources Officer.

Mr. Ford stated that the LADOTD will be conducting a speed study in this area on Highway 80, and will also be considering the need to restripe the roadway on Highway 80. Mr. Ford stated that the school board is also considering extending the school zone each way on Highway 80 to allow for more time for the vehicles to slow down.

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Mr. Ford reported on the meeting of the Louisiana Parish Engineers and Supervisor Association held at the Louisiana Police Jury Association Convention last week. He stated that possible funding was discussed through the watershed initiative. He further stated that studies are planned for all watersheds in the State of Louisiana.

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Mr. Ford requested that the agenda be amended to schedule a public hearing on March 20, 2019, to consider approval of the Minor Plat for Jacquelyn Minogue, located in Section 3, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA.

**Motion was made by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Cochran, to amend the agenda to schedule a public hearing on March 20, 2019, to consider approval of the Minor Plat for Jacquelyn Minogue, located in Section 3, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA.**

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

**AYES:** Mr. Avery, Ms. Bennett, Mr. Benton, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Craig, Mr. Darby, Mr. Plummer, Mr. Rimmer, Mr. Salzer, Mr. Shewmake, Mr. Skaggs  
**NAYS:** None  
**ABSTAIN:** None  
**ABSENT:** Mr. Brotherton

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**Motion was made by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Benton, to schedule a public hearing on March 20, 2019, to consider approval of the Minor Plat for Jacquelyn Minogue, located in Section 3, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA.**

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

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

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Mr. Warren Saucier, Parks and Recreation Director, was not present. Mr. Altimus presented an update on activities at parks throughout Bossier Parish.

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Mr. Darby reported on the Police Jury Association's Annual Convention previously held in Lake Charles, LA, on February 13-15, 2019. He provided information on the Criminal & Juvenile Justice Committee meeting and the Health and Hospital Committee meeting.

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Ms. Bennett announced that she will not be seeking re-election for Police Juror District 3 in the fall, and wanted to make this announcement to allow possible candidates time to prepare for qualifying for Police Jury District 3.

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Mr. Skaggs reported on the Louisiana Mayor's Association meeting he recently attended. He stated that transportation was discussed, and the City of Bossier City and Bossier Parish interchange was recognized during the meeting. He stated that the local delegation was commended on their process for applying for funds and providing matching funds.

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Congratulations were extended to Mr. Benton for his election as President of the Police Jury Association for the year 2019.

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Mr. Rimmer reported on meetings he attended at the Police Jury Association's Annual Convention. He stated that the convention was well attended and expressed appreciation to the police jurors that were present representing the Parish of Bossier.

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Mr. Benton reported on the Police Jury Association's Annual Convention. He stated that Mr. Roland Dartez will be retiring from the Police Jury Association, and stated that he will be sorely missed.

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Mr. Benton requested an update on the Dogwood Subdivision water well. Mr. Eric Hudson, Assistant Parish Engineer, reported that the well is complete and should be operational soon.

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Mr. Jackson provided a report on several permit lawsuits and lawsuits for non-payment of sewerage bills.

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Mr. Jackson extended congratulations to Mr. Benton, advising that to his knowledge, Mr. Benton is the first police juror from Bossier Parish to serve as President of the Louisiana Police Jury Association.

Mr. Jackson acknowledged Ms. Bennett and her credibility and service to the Parish of Bossier and Police Jury District 3.

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#### Finance Committee Meeting – February 20, 2019, 1:30 p.m.

The Finance Committee of the Bossier Parish Police Jury met on this 20<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2019, at 1:30 p.m., in the Police Jury Meeting Room, Bossier Parish Courthouse, Benton, Louisiana, with Mr. Brotherton being absent.

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**Motion was made by Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Shewmake, to approve payment of accounts payable invoices for the month of January, 2019.**

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

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**Motion was made by Mr. Rimmer, seconded by Mr. Benton, to adopt a resolution authorizing the issuance of and approving the forms of certain documents in connection with the issuance of Louisiana Local Government Environmental Facilities and Community Development Authority Revenue and Refunding Bonds**



**(Bossier Parish Public Improvement Projects) Series 2019 to be issued on behalf of the Parish of Bossier for the purpose of financing capital projects and refunding certain maturities of the \$8,000,000 Bossier Parish (Sales Tax Refunding Bonds), Series 2016B; and otherwise providing with respect thereto, and authorize the execution of documents.**

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

**RESOLUTION  
AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF AND APPROVING THE FORMS OF CERTAIN DOCUMENTS IN CONNECTION WITH THE ISSUANCE OF LOUISIANA LOCAL GOVERNMENT ENVIRONMENTAL FACILITIES AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY REVENUE AND REFUNDING BONDS (BOSSIER PARISH PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS) SERIES 2019 TO BE ISSUED ON BEHALF OF THE PARISH OF BOSSIER FOR THE PURPOSE OF FINANCING CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS AND REFUNDING CERTAIN MATURITIES OF THE \$8,000,000 BOSSIER PARISH (SALES TAX REFUNDING BONDS), SERIES 2016B; AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

**WHEREAS**, the Parish of Bossier, State of Louisiana (the "Parish") adopted a resolution on May 16, 2018 (the "Prior Resolution") authorizing the Parish to proceed with a refunding through the Louisiana Local Government Environmental Facilities and Community Development Authority (the "Authority") for the purpose of (i) financing capital improvements for the Parish, (ii) refunding the Authority's \$8,000,000 Bossier Parish (Sales Tax Refunding Bonds), Series 2016B (the "Prior Bonds"), and (iii) paying the costs of issuance of the Bonds; and

**WHEREAS**, the Authority has authorized the issuance of \$30,000,000 Revenue Refunding Bonds (Parish of Bossier Improvement Project), Series 2019, in one or more series, taxable or tax-exempt, or both, and the loan of the proceeds thereof to the Parish to finance capital improvements and refund the Prior Bonds; and

**WHEREAS**, the Parish now desires to authorize the issuance of the Bonds, approve the forms of certain documents to be executed by the Parish in connection with the issuance of the Bonds and the loan of the proceeds thereof to the Parish by the Authority and to provide for matters relating thereto.

**NOW, THEREFORE:**

BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY, IN LEGAL SESSION CONVENED, ACTING AS THE GOVERNING BODY THEREOF, THAT:

SECTION 1: The foregoing recitals are hereby confirmed and are incorporated as a part of this Resolution.

SECTION 2: The Parish hereby authorizes the issuance of the Bonds by the Authority and the loan of the proceeds thereof to the Parish (the "Loan"). The Parish hereby pledges and dedicates Lawfully Available Funds (as defined within the Prior Resolution) to the repayment of the Loan.

SECTION 3: The Parish hereby ratifies the parameters of the Bonds and all other provisions, as set forth in Prior Resolution and authorizes the issuance of the initial series of the Bonds (the "Series 2019 Bonds"). The Series 2019 Bonds shall be issued in a principal amount of not to exceed \$30,000,000, shall mature not later than December 1, 2039, and shall bear interest at a fixed rate of not to exceed five percent (5.0%) per annum. In order to fund the aforementioned borrowing, the Authority is authorized to issue, sell and deliver to Regions Bank, Baton Rouge, Louisiana (the "Purchaser"), or to another purchaser, after submitting an offer to purchase determined to be most beneficial by the Parish Administrator.

SECTION 4: The Parish hereby approves the forms of and the execution of the Loan Agreement to be entered into between the Authority and the Parish (the "Loan Agreement") and the Trust Indenture to be entered into between the Authority and Hancock Whitney Bank, as trustee, (the "Indenture") each in substantially the forms as submitted to the Parish and filed with the official minutes of the Parish, all of the provisions of which are hereby made a part of this Resolution, with such additions, omissions and changes as may be approved by Bond Counsel to the Authority.

SECTION 5: The Parish hereby ratifies all actions heretofore taken by or on behalf of the Parish and the Authority in connection with the Bonds.

SECTION 6: In connection with the issuance of the Bonds, the Parish desires to abide by the Authority's established post issuance tax compliance policies to ensure that the Parish satisfies all applicable post-issuance compliance requirements of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, in order to preserve the tax-exempt status of the Bonds. The Parish designates the Parish's Executive Director to ensure the Parish's continued compliance with such policies.

SECTION 7: The Parish hereby authorizes and directs the Parish Administrator, the President, Vice President, Secretary/Treasurer and Assistant Secretary of the Police Jury to do any and all things necessary and incidental to carry out the provisions of this Resolution and to assist the Authority in carrying out its functions in connection with the financing, including execution of the Loan Agreement, the Tax Agreement, and such other financing documents and certificates deemed necessary with respect thereto in such forms as approved by Bond Counsel.

SECTION 8: This Resolution shall take effect immediately, shall be published one time in the official journal of the Parish and a certified copy hereof shall be forwarded to the offices of the Authority.

This resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

- AYES: Mr. Avery, Ms. Bennett, Mr. Benton, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Craig, Mr. Darby, Mr. Plummer, Mr. Rimmer, Mr. Salzer, Mr. Shewmake, Mr. Skaggs,
- NAYS: None
- ABSENT: Mr. Brotherton
- ABSTAIN: None

And the Resolution was declared adopted on this, the 20th day of February, 2019.

\_\_\_\_\_/s/ Rachel Hauser  
PARISH SECRETARY

\_\_\_\_\_/s/ Doug Rimmer  
POLICE JURY PRESIDENT

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**Motion was made by Mr. Salzer, seconded by Mr. Darby, to approve a request from the Bossier Parish**

**School Board for the police jury's participation by co-sponsoring the inaugural i3 Art Expo to be held at the Bossier Civic Center for Bossier Parish students in the amount of \$2,500.00**

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

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The Finance Committee meeting was adjourned by the Chairman.

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There being no further business to come before the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 20<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2019, the meeting was adjourned by the President at 3:40 p.m.

RACHEL D. HAUSER  
PARISH SECRETARY

DOUG RIMMER, PRESIDENT  
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