

BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY
BENTON, LOUISIANA
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July 5, 2023

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The Bossier Parish Police Jury met in regular and legal session on the 5th day of July, 2023, at 2:00 p.m., in the Police Jury Meeting Room, Bossier Parish Courthouse, Benton, Louisiana. The President, Mr. Doug Rimmer, called the meeting to order. The invocation was given by Mr. Mac Plummer, and the pledge of allegiance was led by Mr. Glenn Benton. Ms. Rachel Hauser, Parish Secretary, called the roll, with all members present as follows:

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

Others present were Mr. Joe E. "Butch" Ford, Jr., Parish Administrator; Mr. Eric Hudson, Parish Engineer; Mr. Patrick Jackson, Parish Attorney; Ms. Rachel Hauser, Parish Secretary; Ms. Stacie Fernandez, Parish Treasurer.

Mr. Rimmer asked if anyone was present that would like to address the police jury to discuss an item that is currently not on the agenda. There will be two visitors added to the agenda.

Ms. Sharon Harris-Turner, a resident of Abe Martin Road, was present. She stated that Abe Martin Road has not had any improvements except for the parish placing gravel on portions of the road that are not near the homes. She further stated that she has made several calls to the Bossier Parish Highway Department, but no one will return her calls.

Ms. Turner stated that she has contacted Mr. Jordan several times regarding this matter and he has met with them once and advised that the frac sand trucks and dump trucks are not supposed to be driving on Abe Martin Road.

Ms. Turner stated that the parish is not addressing the issues on Abe Martin Road and when it rains the road is washing out. She requested that Abe Martin Road be overlaid.

Mr. Jordan stated that he has returned Ms. Turner's phone calls. He stated that the parish has placed gravel on Abe Martin Road and millings have been placed in front of Ms. Turner's home due to a complaint of dust. Ms. Turner stated that the parish is placing gravel at the end of Abe Martin Road and not in front of the homes where it is needed. She stated that the millings were placed in front of her home several years ago.

Mr. Jordan recommended that gravel be placed on the entire length of Abe Martin Road tomorrow. Mr. Coutee stated that there is a soft spot from a spring that runs beneath Abe Martin Road just past the fire station and the parish has had to dig it out several times and place oversized rock and SB2 at that location. He stated that approximately five to six inches of millings have been placed in front of Ms. Turner's home. He further stated that it is not muddy in front of Ms. Turner's home.

Mr. Gray asked when millings were placed in front of Ms. Turner's home. Mr. Coutee stated that it was approximately two years ago and that area of the road has not deteriorated. Photographs were presented of Abe Martin Road.

Mr. Coutee stated that they will place additional gravel on Abe Martin Road. He stated that the road was checked on Tuesday, and there were no issues with the road.

Ms. Turner stated that she knows there are other roads in the parish that have been overlaid that have only one home located on the road.

Ms. Lynn Bryan, Keep Bossier Beautiful, expressed appreciation to the police jury for allowing her the opportunity to provide the police jury with an update on the Keep Bossier Beautiful campaign. Dr. Shelly Barrett, Executive Committee, Ms. Erin Buchanan, board member, and Ms. Carlotta Askew-Brown, Liaison, were present.

Ms. Bryan provided a report on activities of Keep Bossier Beautiful and information on past and future events.

Ms. Bryan stated that the Gateway Expo is scheduled for July 18, 2023, from 2:15 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., at the Bossier Civic Center. She stated that the exposition will feature seven renderings for a new gateway "Welcome to Bossier" sign to be placed on I-20 eastbound. She encouraged the jurors to attend. She further stated that there will be a public online viewing to allow for the public to vote which rendering they like the most and a decision will be announced in the near future.

Appreciation was extended to Ms. Bryan and Keep Bossier Beautiful for their work in Bossier Parish.

Motion was made by Mr. Plummer, seconded by Mr. Rodgers, to amend the agenda to add Ms. Jeannie Crnkovic, Extension Agent 4-H, Bossier Parish LSU AgCenter, to the agenda as Visitor No. 3.

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

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Mr. Brotherton

Ms. Crnkovic introduced Ms. Erika Derma, Assistant Extension Agent-4-H Youth Development. Ms. Derma stated that 13 4-H youth were taken to Baton Rouge, LA, to compete in various contests. She stated that 12 of the 13 youth won blue ribbons.

Ms. Crnkovic stated that Dr. Ronald Strahan is the new Regional Director for the Northwest Division of the LSU Ag Center. She stated that Dr. Strahan is very active in this area.

Ms. Crnkovic introduced the following: Ms. Elizabeth Martin, Associate Nutrition Agent and Supervising Agent for Bossier and Caddo Parishes for the EFNEP Program; Ms. Dee Blackwell, Nutrition Educator and parenting skills coach; Dr. Valerie West, Regional Forestry and Wildlife Agent and point of contact for Backyard Homesteading

and Small Scale Livestock; Mr. Mark Wilson, Northwest Regional Horticulture Agent, Regional Master Gardner Coordinator, and Region Product Safety Alliance Coordinator; Ms. Erin Stockton, Assistant Nutrition Agent, SNAP-Ed; Ms. Grace Peterson, Nutrition Agent; and Ms. Joy Matthews, Administrative Coordinator. She provided additional information on each agent above.

Ms. Crnkovic expressed appreciation to the police jury for its continued support. Appreciation was extended to Ms. Crnkovic and staff for their hard work.

Mr. Benton expressed appreciation to the staff that have been involved with Trailblazers and conducting classes at the Trailblazers' meetings.

Motion was made by Mr. Rodgers, seconded by Mr. Benton, to amend the agenda to add Ms. Renee Hall to the agenda as Visitor No. 4.

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

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Mr. Brotherton

Ms. Renee Hall, 482 Merrit Road, Benton, LA, stated that she is present to discuss the police jury appointment to the Cypress-Black Bayou Recreation and Water Conservation District board. She expressed appreciation to Ms. Lynn Bryan, Keep Bossier Beautiful, for their hard work in keeping Bossier Parish clean and beautiful.

Ms. Hall stated that she is aware that a letter of recommendation from the Cypress-Black Bayou Recreation and Water Conservation District board for an appointment to the board will be provided to the police jury for the July 19, 2023, police jury meeting. She stated that she wants to ensure that the police jury has all the information regarding the recent lawsuit and the Louisiana Supreme Court's ruling on issues concerning the Cypress-Black Bayou Recreation and Water Conservation District board. She further stated that the Louisiana Ethics Board has filed a lawsuit in connection with this matter. Ms. Hall stated that a hearing was held by the Louisiana Ethics Board, but she does not have the outcome of that hearing at this time.

Ms. Hall presented to the police jury the Judgment from the Supreme Court of Louisiana, No. 2022-C-00970, State of Louisiana vs. Robert Berry, and a letter and Charges from the Louisiana Board of Ethics In The Matter of Robert A. Berry, Agency Tracking No. 2020-622. She stated that the Supreme Court's ruling states that Mr. Berry is in violation of the Dual Officeholding Law.

Ms. Hall stated that the 10-year tax millage for the Cypress-Black Bayou Recreation and Water Conservation District will be on the ballot next year for renewal. She stated that the millage pays approximately \$1.2 million for the Cypress-Black Bayou Recreation and Water Conservation District board to run the park and the taxpayers will vote whether to renew this millage or not. She further stated that if there are no changes with the board, it is likely that the taxpayers will not vote to renew the tax millage.

Ms. Hall stated that Mr. Berry's salary is currently \$157,000.00 annually and it continues to increase. She stated that it would be detrimental to this area if the park is forced to close because of mismanagement of funds by the board.

Mr. Hudson stated that two bids were received on June 22, 2023, for Project No. 2022-125, FY 2022 - LCDBG Sewer System Improvements, Gray Lake Gray Duck Lift Station. He stated that it is recommended that the low bid of JPD Construction, LLC of Bossier, be awarded the bid for this project. He further stated that the bids were slightly over the engineer's estimate.

Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Jorden, to award the bid for Project No. 2022-125, FY 2022 - LCDBG Sewer System Improvements, Gray Lake Gray Duck Lift Station, in the amount of \$272,500.00, to JPD Construction, LLC of Bossier, low bidder meeting bid specifications in accordance with bids received June 22, 2023, and to authorize the execution of documents. Engineer's Estimate for the project is \$250,000.00.

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:
JPD Construction, LLC of Bossier	\$272,500.00
Pully Construction, Inc.	\$328,000.00

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 5th day of July, 2023, that it does hereby award the bid for Project No. 2022-125, FY 2022 - LCDBG Sewer System Improvements, Gray Lake Gray Duck Lift Station, in the amount of \$272,500.00, to JPD Construction, LLC of Bossier, low bidder meeting bid specifications in accordance with bids received June 22, 2023.

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

The resolution was offered by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Jorden. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 5th day of July, 2023.

RACHEL D. HAUSER
PARISH SECRETARY

DOUG RIMMER, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Mr. Nguyen Kha, Assistant Parish Engineer and Utilities Director for Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District Nos. 1 and 2 of the Parish of Bossier, stated that submittals from two firms were received in connection with the Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for engineering and related services for the Water Sector Program (WSP) –

Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District No. 1 of the Parish of Bossier-Subrecipient LA WSP10905 for the Bossier Parish Police Jury.

Mr. Kha stated that it is the recommendation of the selection committee to accept the proposal of Cothren, Graff and Smoak Engineering, Inc., for engineering and related services for the Water Sector Program (WSP) – Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District No. 1 of the Parish of Bossier-Subrecipient LA WSP10905 for the Bossier Parish Police Jury.

Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Cochran, to approve the recommendation of the selection committee to award engineering and related services for the Water Sector Program (WSP) – Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District No. 1 of the Parish of Bossier-Subrecipient LA WSP10905 for the Bossier Parish Police Jury to Cothren, Graff and Smoak Engineering, Inc., and to authorize the execution of documents.

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

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 5th day of July, 2023, that the Parish Administrator or Parish President be and is hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the Bossier Parish Police Jury, any and all documents or contracts in connection with the proposal of Cothren, Graff and Smoak Engineering, Inc., for engineering and related services for the Water Sector Program (WSP) – Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District No. 1 of the Parish of Bossier-Subrecipient LA WSP10905 for the Bossier Parish Police Jury.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Cochran. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 5th day of July, 2023.

RACHEL D. HAUSER
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Ms. Hauser announced the public hearing to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development of Redwood Place at Legacy Subdivision, Unit No. 13, a Planned Unit Development, located in Section 21, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA; located off Airline Drive. This matter was tabled on June 21, 2023.

Mr. Hudson requested that this public hearing be tabled to the July 19, 2023, police jury meeting.

There being no objection, **motion was made by Mr. Cochran, seconded by Ms. Parks, to table the public hearing to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development of Redwood Place at Legacy Subdivision, Unit No. 13, a Planned Unit Development, located in Section 21, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA; located off Airline Drive; to be considered at the July 19, 2023, regular meeting.**

Votes were cast and the motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Hauser announced the public hearing to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development of Seven Point Subdivision, located in Section 34, Township 20 North, Range 12 West, Bossier Parish, LA; located off Linton-Bellevue Road.

Mr. Charlie Coyle, Coyle Engineering Company, Inc., was present. He stated that seven lots are planned for this proposed development to be located off Linton Bellevue-Road with each lot being five acres or more. He stated that the developer has requested that the name of the subdivision be changed to Seven Pointe Subdivision, Unit No. 1.

Mr. Hudson stated that the developer is dedicating to the parish the portion of Linton-Bellevue Road owned by the developer.

There being no objection, **motion was made by Mr. Rodgers, seconded by Mr. Jorden, to approve the plat of the proposed development of Seven Pointe Subdivision, located in Section 34, Township 20 North, Range 12 West, Bossier Parish, LA; located off Linton-Bellevue Road.**

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

Motion was made by Mr. Rodgers, seconded by Mr. Marsiglia, to schedule a public hearing on August 2, 2023, to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development of Willow Creek at Benton Subdivision, Unit No. 2B, Lots 19B and 18A, being a resubdivision of Lots 19A, Willow Creek at Benton Subdivision, Unit No. 2A, and Lot 18, Willow Creek at Benton Subdivision, Unit No. 2, located in Section 24, Township 20 North, Range 14 West, Bossier Parish, LA; located off Old Plain Dealing Road. Case BP-14-23 – Favorable recommendation by the Benton-Parish MPC.

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

Motion was made by Mr. Rodgers, seconded by Mr. Salzer, to schedule a public hearing on August 2, 2023, to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development of Hollenshead-Tripp Subdivision, Unit No. 2, being a resubdivision of Lot No. 3, Hollenshead-Tripp Subdivision, located in Section 21, Township 20 North, Range 12 West, Bossier Parish, LA.

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

Mr. Benton, Chairman of the Rural Development Committee, reported on the meeting of that committee held today at 11:00 a.m. Committee members attending the Rural Development Committee were Mr. Benton, Mr. Plummer, Mr. Marsiglia, Mr. Jorden, Mr. Rodgers, Mr. Rimmer, Mr. Ford, Mr. Hudson, and Mr. Jackson. Ms. Rachael Graves, Ms. Hauser, Ms. Megan Ramos, Ms. Julie Gill, Ms. Fernandez, Ms. Monica Grappe, Mr. Sam Marsiglia, Mr. Matt Redmon, Mr. Mark Coutee, Mr. Heath Lyles, Mr. Pat Culverhouse, Ms. Carlotta Askew-Brown, Ms. Carolina Blunk,

Mr. Nguyen Kha, Mr. Neil Erwin, and Mr. Larry Landy were also present. Other jurors present were Mr. Darby, Ms. Parks, Mr. Gray, and Mr. Cochran.

Mr. Benton stated that the committee discussed possible options to assist property owners in subdividing their property in order to give family members portions of their property. He stated that Mr. Neil Erwin, Attorney, provided possible options on this matter. He further stated that a Rural Development Committee meeting will be scheduled in the near future to further discuss this matter.

Mr. Rodgers, Chairman of the Road/Subdivision Regulations Committee, reported on the meeting of that committee held today at 11:30 a.m. Committee members attending the Road/Subdivision Regulations Committee were Mr. Rodgers, Mr. Jorden, Mr. Plummer, Mr. Rimmer, Mr. Benton, Mr. Marsiglia, Ms. Parks, Mr. Ford, Mr. Jackson, and Mr. Hudson. Mr. Chris McMellon, Ms. Hope Paige, Ms. Wendy Hazelhurst, Ms. Hauser, Ms. Megan Ramos, Ms. Julie Gill, Ms. Fernandez, Ms. Monica Grappe, Mr. Nguyen Kha, Mr. Larry Landy, Mr. Neil Erwin, Mr. Pat Culverhouse, Mr. Mark Coutee, Ms. Carlotta Askew-Brown, Mr. Matt Redmon, Ms. Rachael Graves, Mr. Sam Marsiglia, and Mr. Gerry Munn were also present. Other jurors present were Mr. Cochran, Mr. Salzer, and Mr. Gray.

Mr. Rodgers stated that the committee discussed a building permit that was recently denied for a United Built Home to be located in East Lake Subdivision due to no paved public access road in that subdivision. He stated that this matter is being reviewed.

Mr. Salzer, Chairman of the Policy and Procedures Committee, reported on the meeting of that committee held today at 12:30 p.m. Committee members attending the Policy and Procedures Committee were Mr. Salzer, Mr. Gray, Mr. Marsiglia, Ms. Parks, Mr. Benton, Mr. Darby, Mr. Plummer, and Mr. Rimmer. Ms. Hauser, Ms. Megan Ramos, Ms. Julie Gill, Ms. Fernandez, Ms. Monica Grappe, Mr. Nguyen Kha, Mr. Jackson, Mr. Ford, Ms. Lisa Wilson, Ms. Carlotta Askew-Brown, Ms. Carolina Blunk, Mr. Matt Redmon, Mr. Mark Coutee, Mr. Pat Culverhouse, Mr. Jim Firth, and Mr. Neil Erwin were also present. Other jurors present were Mr. Cochran and Mr. Jorden.

Mr. Salzer stated that the committee discussed the salary study and efforts are being made to finalize the study in order to adjust the budget for 2024 to ensure that all police jury staff are receiving an appropriate salary for their position.

Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Jorden, to approve the reappointment of Dr. Gevan Spinney to the Houghton MPC Board for a four-year term, term to expire July 15, 2027.

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

Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Rodgers, to approve the Certificate of Substantial Completion for Project No. 2021-122, Proposed Street Improvements, DR 4263 PW 910 Paved Roads, Task Order No. 10, and to authorize the execution of documents.

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

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 5th day of July, 2023, that it does hereby approve the Certificate of Substantial Completion for Project No. 2021-122, Proposed Street Improvements, DR 4263 PW 910 Paved Roads, Task Order No. 10.

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

The resolution was offered by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Rodgers. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 5th day of July, 2023.

RACHEL D. HAUSER
PARISH SECRETARY

DOUG RIMMER, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Motion was made by Mr. Plummer, seconded by Mr. Salzer, to approve Supplement No. 1 to the proposal from Civil Design Group, LLC, in the amount of \$2,472.50 for South Bossier Park New Multipurpose Fields, and to authorize the execution of documents.

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

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 5th day of July, 2023, that it does hereby approve Supplement No. 1 to the proposal from Civil Design Group, LLC, in the amount of \$2,472.50 for South Bossier Park New Multipurpose Fields.

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

The resolution was offered by Mr. Plummer, seconded by Mr. Salzer. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 5th day of July, 2023.

RACHEL D. HAUSER
PARISH SECRETARY

DOUG RIMMER, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Motion was made by Mr. Plummer, seconded by Mr. Salzer, to approve Change Order No. 2 for Project No. 2022-109, South Bossier Park New Multipurpose Fields, and to authorize the execution of documents. Said change order results in a decrease of \$600.00 and an additional one (1) contract day.

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 5th day of July, 2023, that it does hereby approve Change Order No. 2 for Project No. 2022-109, South Bossier Park New Multipurpose Fields.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Parish Administrator or Parish President is hereby authorized to execute said agreement.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Plummer, seconded by Mr. Salzer. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 5th day of July, 2023.

RACHEL D. HAUSER
PARISH SECRETARY

DOUG RIMMER, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Motion was made by Mr. Plummer, seconded by Mr. Salzer, to approve the Certificate of Substantial Completion for Project No. 2022-109, South Bossier Park New Athletic Fields, and to authorize the execution of documents.

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

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 5th day of July, 2023, that it does hereby approve the Certificate of Substantial Completion for Project No. 2022-109, South Bossier Park New Athletic Fields.

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

The resolution was offered by Mr. Plummer, seconded by Mr. Salzer. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 5th day of July, 2023.

RACHEL D. HAUSER
PARISH SECRETARY

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Mr. Hudson presented Supplemental Agreement No. 3 to the Owner-Engineer Agreement with Forte & Tablada to revise the bridge plans for the Caplis-Sligo Road Bridge over Red Chute Bayou. He stated that the original plan was for the parish to design the bridge in-house and bid the project out, but the bids received exceeded the project estimate.

Mr. Hudson stated that the parish received funding through the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development's Off-System Bridge Program from the Infrastructure Investment Jobs Act (IIJA) to rebuild bridges in Bossier Parish. He stated that the State reviewed bridges in Bossier Parish and selected the Caplis Sligo Road Bridge over Red Chute Bayou for this program. He further stated that the State required that the original plans for the bridge be revised to conform with Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development standards.

Motion was made by Mr. Rodgers, seconded by Mr. Plummer, to approve Supplemental Agreement No. 3 to the Owner-Engineer Agreement between the Bossier Parish Police Jury and Forte & Tablada in the amount of \$76,600.00 for the required efforts in revising the bridge plans for the Caplis-Sligo Road Bridge over Red Chute Bayou, and to authorize the execution of documents.

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

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 5th day of July, 2023, that it does hereby approve Supplemental Agreement No. 3 to the Owner-Engineer Agreement between the Bossier Parish Police Jury and Forte & Tablada in the amount of \$76,600.00 for the required efforts in revising the bridge plans for the Caplis-Sligo Road Bridge over Red Chute Bayou.

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

The resolution was offered by Mr. Rodgers, seconded by Mr. Plummer. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 5th day of July, 2023.

RACHEL D. HAUSER
PARISH SECRETARY

DOUG RIMMER, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Mr. Ford stated that a meeting is scheduled for Thursday, July 13, 2023, at 10:00 a.m., at the Bossier Parish Office of Homeland Security & Emergency Preparedness, 1511 Doctors Drive, Bossier City, LA, for an after-action review to discuss the recent severe weather event, the response time, and what can be done to improve emergency actions in the event of another severe weather event. He stated that Sheriff Julian Whittington and Mayor Tommy Chandler will be invited to attend this meeting.

Mr. Ford stated that a retirement reception is scheduled for Dr. Woodrow Wilson, Administrator for the Caddo Parish Commission, for tomorrow at 1:30 p.m. at the Government Plaza in Shreveport. He stated that the resolution previously adopted by the police jury will be presented to Dr. Wilson at that time.

Mr. Ford reported that the Oil and Gas Revenues for the year are approximately \$400,000.00 through June of 2023. He stated that these revenues are double the amount they were from last year at this time.

Mr. Ford stated that the National Association of Counties (NACo) annual conference is scheduled for July 21st through 24th, and those attending will receive their travel packets at the July 19, 2023, regular meeting.

Mr. Ford expressed appreciation to the engineering staff for their hard work in meeting several deadlines for grant funds. He provided additional information on those projects.

Mr. Ford expressed appreciation to Mr. Warren Saucier, Parks and Recreation Director, and staff for their hard work on the July 4th celebration at South Bossier Park. He stated that attendance at the event exceeded last year's attendance with approximately 1,800 to 2,000 attending this year. He also expressed appreciation to the Bossier Parish Sheriff's Office and the South Bossier Parish Fire District No. 2 for their hard work at this event.

Mr. Ford expressed appreciation to Ms. Jan Elkins and KTBS for their partnership with the July 4th celebration event.

Mr. Hudson provided an update on several parish projects. He stated that work has begun on Project No. 2022-120, Cycle Plant Road Improvements. He further stated that Cycle Plant Road will be reconstructed from Padgett Road to Seven Pines Road.

Mr. Hudson stated that the contract time is expiring today on the New Central Library project and the project will be in liquidated damages.

Mr. Kevin Gay, Road Superintendent, presented an update on activities of the highway department and on several road projects in the parish. He stated that Animal Control has picked up 10 dogs since June 21, 2023.

Mr. Salzer stated that he has received several phone calls regarding car accidents at Highway 71 and Pecan Valley Estates. He requested that a letter be sent to the Department of Transportation and Development regarding accidents at Highway 71 and Pecan Valley Estates to determine if a turn lane is needed at this location.

Mr. Ford stated that the engineering department will review this matter and determine how many accidents have occurred at this location.

Appreciation was extended to Mr. Saucier and staff for their hard work on the July 4th event at South Bossier Park.

Mr. Jackson stated that the police jury adopted Ordinance No. 4901 amending Chapter 94 of the Bossier Parish Code of Ordinances, "Roads and Bridge", to add regulations on mailbox construction in parish rights-of-way on August 3, 2022. He stated that the parish has structures on the side of parish roadways that present a hazard to the traveling public. He further stated that the police jury met in a committee meeting and as a result of that meeting, the police jury voted to prepare an ordinance that would restrict brick mailboxes on roadways with a speed of 35 miles per hour and greater.

Mr. Jackson stated that due to police jury engineering staff being out at the August 3, 2022, police jury meeting, it appears that there were two different drafts of the proposed ordinance, and the draft presented in the meeting folders during the police jury meeting was incorrect and provided that the mailbox regulations were for roads over 35 miles per hour.

Mr. Jackson stated that in the committee meeting it was decided that the regulations would apply to parish roads with a speed of 35 miles per hour and greater, but the draft ordinance in the police jury packets for the police jury meeting referenced over 35 miles per hour. He stated that some jurors requested clarification of what was decided in committee and what was stated and approved during the August 3, 2022, police jury meeting.

Mr. Jackson requested that the agenda be amended to suspend Ordinance No. 4901 adopted on August 3, 2022, and requested that this matter be placed on the July 19, 2023, agenda to place into the record the correct ordinance in this matter. He stated that this matter was incorrectly handled and should have been placed back on the agenda at that time to clarify the regulations of construction of a mailbox in parish rights-of-way on roadways with certain speed limits.

Motion was made by Mr. Cochran, seconded by Mr. Salzer, to amend the agenda to suspend Ordinance No. 4901 adopted by the police jury on August 3, 2022, to amend Chapter 94, Article 1 of the Bossier Parish Code of Ordinances, "Roads and Bridges", by adding Section 94-12, "Permit Required for Mailbox Construction in Parish Rights-of-Way".

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

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

Motion was made by Mr. Plummer, seconded by Mr. Gray, to suspend Ordinance No. 4901 adopted by the police jury on August 3, 2022, to amend Chapter 94, Article 1 of the Bossier Parish Code of Ordinances, "Roads and Bridges", by adding Section 94-12, "Permit Required for Mailbox Construction in Parish Rights-of-Way".

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

Mr. Jackson requested that this matter be placed on the July 19, 2023, Road/Subdivision Regulations Committee meeting agenda to further discuss.

There being no further business to come before the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 5th day of July, 2023, the meeting was adjourned by Mr. Rimmer at 3:07 p.m.

RACHEL D. HAUSER
 PARISH SECRETARY

DOUG RIMMER, PRESIDENT
 BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY