

BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY  
BENTON, LOUISIANA  
MINUTES  
April 3, 2024  
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The Bossier Parish Police Jury met in regular and legal session on the 3rd day of April, 2024, at 2:00 p.m., in the Police Jury Meeting Room, Bossier Parish Courthouse, Benton, Louisiana. The President, Mr. Philip Rodgers, called the meeting to order. The invocation was given by Mr. Glenn Benton, and the pledge of allegiance was led by Mr. Keith Sutton. Ms. Megan Ramos, Interim Parish Secretary, called the roll, with the following members present:

Mr. Glenn Benton	Mr. Chris Marsiglia
Mr. Bob Brotherton	Ms. Julianna Parks
Mr. Jimmy Cochran	Mr. Doug Rimmer
Mr. Julian Darby	Mr. Philip Rodgers
Ms. Pam Glorioso	Mr. Tom Salzer
Mr. John Ed Jorden	Mr. Keith Sutton

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

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Mr. Sutton presented the following resolution to members of the Parkway High School girls' basketball team, congratulating them on winning the 2024 LHSAA Non-Select Division 1 Girls' Basketball State Championship.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Bossier Parish Police Jury would like to give special honor and commendation to the Parkway High School Lady Panthers basketball team; and

WHEREAS, Senior Chloe Larry, sunk a half-court shot at the buzzer in overtime for a 64-63 victory over #1 ranked Walker Wildcats to send the underdog Lady Panthers to the team’s third trip to the LHSAA Non-Select Division 1 State Championship; and

WHEREAS, the #5 ranked Lady Panthers, won their second LHSAA Non-Select Division 1 State Basketball Championship on March 2, 2024 against the #2 ranked Denham Springs Yellow Jackets with Chloe Larry scoring 20 points and Dakota Howard scoring 18 points; and

WHEREAS, the Lady Panthers are three-time undefeated District Champions for years 2022, 2023, and 2024; and

WHEREAS, throughout the season, the Lady Panthers basketball team listed below have demonstrated teamwork, dedication, and determination to win their 2<sup>nd</sup> State Championship:

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| Zara Baker       | Destinee LaCour |
| Jasmine Brooks   | Chloe Larry     |
| Natalia Brown    | Kenadie Loche   |
| Lamarya Dorn     | Ivy Rolls       |
| Jasmyne Hendrix  | Khia Thomas     |
| Dakota Howard    | Jamie Williams  |
| Jayla James      | Savannah Wilson |
| Mahogany Johnson |                 |

- Head Coach: Gloria Williams
- Assistant Coach: Kendrick Golatt
- Assistant Coach: Brian Rayner
- Bookkeeper: Connie Coker

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of April, 2024, that it does hereby congratulate the Parkway Lady Panthers basketball team on winning their second LHSAA Non-Select, Division I Title with 57-29 victory over the Denham Springs Yellow Jackets on Saturday, March 2, 2024 in Hammond, LA, and for being three time undefeated District Champions in 2022, 2023 and 2024 with an overall record of 31-6, and does commend Coach Gloria Williams and each member of the Lady Panthers basketball team for their tremendous hard work and dedication in winning the LHSAA Non-Select District 1 State Basketball Championship and being good representatives of Bossier Parish.

MEGAN C. RAMOS  
INTERIM PARISH SECRETARY

PHILIP RODGERS, PRESIDENT  
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Mr. Rodgers addressed the audience asking if anyone would like to address the jury regarding a matter not on today’s agenda.

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Ms. Ramos announced the public hearing to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development of Beeson Subdivision, located in Section 29, Township 20 North, Range 13 West, Northwestern Land District, Bossier Parish LA, in Police Jury District 4. (Case BP-4-24 – Favorable recommendation by the Benton MPC)

Mr. Eric Hudson, Parish Engineer, stated that the proposed development of Beeson Subdivision consists of 16.411 acres, and the owners are requesting approval to split the property into 2 separate lots in order to put the existing house on the proposed Lot No. 1 and leave the remaining undeveloped property as the proposed Lot No. 2. He stated that the property is located off Shaffer Drive, advising that the end of Shaffer Drive is maintained partly by the Town of Benton and part of the road is tacitly dedicated to the parish. Mr. Hudson stated that he has asked the owner to dedicate the right of way on these lots to the parish in order for the parish to be able to properly maintain its portion of Shaffer Drive and have a statutory dedication.

**Motion was made by Mr. Jorden seconded by Mr. Brotherton, to approve the plat of the proposed development of Beeson Subdivision, located in Section 29, Township 20 North, Range 13 West, Northwestern Land District, Bossier Parish, LA, as presented.**

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

- YEAS: Mr. Benton, Mr. Brotherton, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Darby, Ms. Glorioso, Mr. Jorden, Mr. Marsiglia, Ms. Parks, Mr. Rimmer, Mr. Rodgers, Mr. Salzer, Mr. Sutton**
- NAYS: None**
- ABSENT: None**
- ABSTAIN: None**

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Ms. Ramos announced the public hearing to consider approval of the plat of the proposed development Cane's Landing, Unit No. 4, a gated subdivision being a re-subdivision of a portion of Lot 3 of Big Bee Bend Plantation, located on 20.988 acres, more or less, in Section 34, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA, in Police Jury District 6. (Case P-PLAT-000236-2024 — Favorable recommendation by the Bossier City-Parish MPC)

Mr. Eric Hudson, Parish Engineer, stated that six units are proposed in the development of Cane’s Landing. He stated that the proposed development of Unit No. 4 will be served by Bossier City water and sewer. Mr. Hudson stated that Unit No. 3 was recently completed and accepted by the police jury, and further stated that it appears that the development of Cane’s Landing is currently on track with the previously submitted master plan. He stated that drainage plans for the entire development have been submitted and are in compliance with regulations.

**Motion was made by Mr. Marsiglia seconded by Ms. Glorioso, to approve the plat of the proposed development of Cane’s Landing, Unit No. 4, a gated subdivision being a re-subdivision of a portion of Lot 3 of Big Bee Bend Plantation, located on 20.988 acres, more or less, in Section 34, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA.**

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

- YEAS: Mr. Benton, Mr. Brotherton, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Darby, Ms. Glorioso, Mr. Jorden, Mr. Marsiglia, Ms. Parks, Mr. Rimmer, Mr. Rodgers, Mr. Salzer, Mr. Sutton**
- NAYS: None**
- ABSENT: None**
- ABSTAIN: None**

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Mr. Doug Rimmer, Chairman of the Policy and Procedures, reported on a meeting of that committee held today at 12:00 p.m. He reported that the Bossier Parish Tax Assessor, Bobby Edmiston and Chief Deputy Assessor, Scott Stephens, were present to discuss Act 179 regarding proposed tax exemptions for first responders. Mr. Rimmer reported that the police jury will have a Policy and Procedures meeting in May to revisit this item.

**Motion was made by Mr. Rimmer, seconded by Mr. Salzer, to amend Chapter 1, Section 1-14 of the Bossier Parish Code of Ordinances, to include the observance of Juneteenth. The ordinance will follow the state’s guidelines and will recognize the third Saturday in June, to be observed on the third Friday in June each year.**

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

- YEAS: Mr. Benton, Mr. Brotherton, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Darby, Ms. Glorioso, Mr. Jorden, Mr. Marsiglia, Ms. Parks, Mr. Rimmer, Mr. Rodgers, Mr. Salzer, Mr. Sutton**
- NAYS: None**
- ABSENT: None**
- ABSTAIN: None**

ORDINANCE NO. 5009

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 1, SECTION 1-14, OF THE BOSSIER PARISH CODE OF ORDINANCES; “ESTABLISHMENT OF CERTAIN DAYS OF PUBLIC REST AND LEGAL HOLIDAYS”, TO INCLUDE ADDITIONAL LEGAL HOLIDAYS, AS APPROVED BY THE BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of April, 2024, that Chapter 1, Section 1-14, of the Bossier Parish Code of Ordinances, be and is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 1-14. Establishment of certain days of public rest and legal holidays.

- (a) The following shall be days of public rest and legal holidays:
  - (1) January 1, New Year’s Day
  - (2) The third Monday in January, Martin Luther King, Jr., Day
  - (3) The third Monday in February, President’s Day
  - (4) Good Friday
  - (5) The last Monday in May, Memorial Day
  - (6) Juneteenth Day, observed on the Friday before the third Saturday in June
  - (7) July 4, Independence Day
  - (8) The first Monday in September, Labor Day
  - (9) November 11, Veteran’s Day
  - (10) The fourth Thursday in November, Thanksgiving Day
  - (11) The day following Thanksgiving Day
  - (12) December 24, Christmas Eve
  - (13) December 25, Christmas Day

(b) Whenever January 1, July 4, or November 11 falls on Sunday, the next day (Monday) is a holiday. When January 1, July 4, or November 11 falls on a Saturday, the preceding Friday is a holiday.

(c) Whenever December 24 falls on Friday and December 25 falls on Saturday; Thursday, December 23 and Friday, December 24, will be recognized and observed as Christmas holidays.

(d) Whenever December 24 falls on Saturday and December 25 falls on Sunday; Friday, December 23 and Monday, December 26, will be recognized and observed as Christmas holidays.

(e) Whenever December 24 falls on Sunday and December 25 falls on Monday; Monday, December 25 and Tuesday, December 26, will be recognized and observed as Christmas holidays.

(f) The third Saturday in June is recognized and designated as Juneteenth Day throughout the state of Louisiana, and will be recognized and observed on the Friday before the third Saturday in June.

The ordinance was offered by Mr. Rimmer, seconded by Mr. Salzer. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of April, 2024.

MEGAN C. RAMOS  
INTERIM PARISH SECRETARY

PHILIP RODGERS, PRESIDENT  
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Mr. Rimmer also reported that the committee discussed the matter of Sunday liquor sales and regulations. He stated that the Policy and Procedures Committee will discuss this further in May.

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Mr. Philip Rodgers, Chairman of the Road/Subdivision Regulations Committee, reported on a meeting of that committee held today at 11:00 a.m. He stated that there was discussion of cleaning up a historic cemetery at Stonewall Baptist Church which was relocated from Barksdale Air Force Base in the 1950's. He stated that there are trees and overgrown areas that need to be cleaned up and advised that the Bossier Parish Sheriff's Department and other agencies will be assisting in the cleanup efforts.

Mr. Rodgers reported that Parish Engineer, Eric Hudson, presented the committee members with a list of plats, that have been approved administratively in order to keep the committee members informed. The following plats have been approved administratively:

1. Moore Estates
2. J&A Subdivision
3. James Neil Subdivision
4. Cypress Bay Unit No. VI
5. Youngblood Subdivision Unit No. 1
6. Williams Subdivision Unit No. 4
7. Lori McHughes Minor Plat
8. J.S. Staton Subdivision Unit No. 1
9. Karen Brock Minor Plat
10. Michael Wayne Driggers Minor Plat
11. Wesley Phillips Minor Plat
12. Travis & Christopher Beaty Minor Plat

Mr. Rodgers stated that there was discussion of adjudicated property on Hedge Drive, and it was agreed that the property will be declared as surplus and advertised for bids to be sold.

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Mr. Eric Hudson, Parish Engineer, explained that Twin Point Subdivision was built many years ago with a dead-end road, and the cul-de-sac was never built. He stated that there have been reports of problems for drivers trying to turn around at the dead-end. Mr. Hudson stated that the police jury previously voted that if a section of property at the dead-end was donated to the parish, the parish would build a hammerhead road section where drivers could turn around. He stated that the property owners have now agreed to donate the needed land and this agenda item is for acceptance of that donation.

**Motion was made by Mr. Rimmer, seconded by Mr. Darby, to officially accept the donation of a parcel of land for Twin Point Drive, identified as Parcel No. 1-1, located on Lot 11, Twin Points Subdivision, located in Section 2, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA, being 0.032 acres, more or less, and authorize the execution of documents.**

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

- YEAS: Mr. Benton, Mr. Brotherton, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Darby, Ms. Glorioso, Mr. Jordan, Mr. Marsiglia, Ms. Parks, Mr. Rimmer, Mr. Rodgers, Mr. Salzer, Mr. Sutton**
- NAYS: None**
- ABSENT: None**
- ABSTAIN: None**

**RESOLUTION**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of April, 2024, that it does hereby authorize the Parish President and/or Administrator to execute on its behalf, any and all documents in connection with the acceptance of a donation to the Bossier Parish Police Jury, of a parcel of land for Twin Point Drive, identified as Parcel No. 1-1, located on Lot 11, Twin Points Subdivision, located in Section 2, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA, being 0.032 acres, more or less.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Rimmer, seconded by Mr. Darby. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of April, 2024.

MEGAN C. RAMOS  
INTERIM PARISH SECRETARY

PHILIP RODGERS, PRESIDENT  
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**Motion was made by Mr. Rimmer, seconded by Mr. Sutton, to accept 0.032 acres, more or less, identified as Parcel No. 1-1, located on Lot 11, Twin Point Subdivision, located in Section 2, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA, into the parish road system for permanent maintenance.**

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

- YEAS: Mr. Benton, Mr. Brotherton, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Darby, Ms. Glorioso, Mr. Jordan, Mr. Marsiglia, Ms. Parks, Mr. Rimmer, Mr. Rodgers, Mr. Salzer, Mr. Sutton**
- NAYS: None**
- ABSENT: None**
- ABSTAIN: None**

ORDINANCE NO. 5010

BE IT ORDAINED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session convened on the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of April, 2024, that it does hereby accept into the parish road system for permanent maintenance, 0.032 acres, more or less, being a newly constructed cul-de-sac, identified as Parcel No. 1-1, located on Lot 11, Twin Point Subdivision, located in Section 2, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that a certified copy of this ordinance be recorded in the Office of the Clerk of Court, Bossier Parish, Louisiana.

The ordinance was offered by Mr. Sutton, seconded by Mr. Brotherton. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of April, 2024.

MEGAN C. RAMOS  
INTERIM PARISH SECRETARY

PHILIP RODGERS, PRESIDENT  
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**Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Marsiglia, to adopt a proclamation declaring the week of April 1 – April 5, 2024, as National Community Development Week.**

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

**YEAS: Mr. Benton, Mr. Brotherton, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Darby, Ms. Glorioso, Mr. Jordan, Mr. Marsiglia, Ms. Parks, Mr. Rimmer, Mr. Rodgers, Mr. Salzer, Mr. Sutton**

**NAYS: None**

**ABSENT: None**

**ABSTAIN: None**

## PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the week of April 1 – 5, 2024, has been designated as National Community Development Week. The Bossier Parish Police Jury has been a participant in the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program which funds public infrastructure, economic development, and housing programs in this community; and

WHEREAS, in this community and communities throughout the nation, fifty years of Community Development Block Grant Program funding has developed a strong relationship between this local government and its residents, principally those of low-to-moderate income; and

WHEREAS, this community recognizes that the Community Development Block Grant Program is a partnership of federal, state, and local government and community and business efforts, and that the services funded by the CDBG Program relies heavily on the dedication and good will of our combined efforts;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that during National Community Development Week 2024, this community will give special thanks and recognition to all participants whose hard work and devotion to the neighborhoods and their low- and moderate-income residents help ensure the quality and effectiveness of the Community Development Block Grant Program; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this community, along with the service providers and others whose names are appended to this resolution, hereby petition the U.S. Congress and Administration to recognize the outstanding work being done locally and nationally by the Community Development Block Grant Program, and of its vital importance to the community and to the people who live in its lower income neighborhoods; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be conveyed to the appropriate elected and appointed officials of the federal government and that this community's name be added to the roll of those committed to the preservation and full funding of the Community Development Block Grant Program and maintenance of its essential features over the course of the next session of Congress.

NOW, THEREFORE, We, The Bossier Parish Police Jury, do hereby proclaim the week of April 1 – 5, 2024, as

## NATIONAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT WEEK

in the Parish of Bossier and urge all citizens to join us in recognizing the Louisiana Community Development Block Grant program and the important role it plays in our community.

The proclamation was offered by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Marsiglia. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of April, 2024.

MEGAN C. RAMOS  
INTERIM PARISH SECRETARY

PHILIP RODGERS, PRESIDENT  
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

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**Motion was made by Ms. Glorioso, seconded by Mr. Marsiglia, to adopt a proclamation proclaiming the month of April 2024 as Fair Housing Month in Bossier Parish.**

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

**YEAS: Mr. Benton, Mr. Brotherton, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Darby, Ms. Glorioso, Mr. Jordan, Mr. Marsiglia, Ms. Parks, Mr. Rimmer, Mr. Rodgers, Mr. Salzer, Mr. Sutton**

**NAYS: None**

**ABSENT: None**

**ABSTAIN: None**

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the 55<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the National Fair Housing Law, Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, during the month of April, is an occasion for all Americans – individually and collectively – to rededicate themselves to the principle of freedom from housing discrimination whenever it exists; and

WHEREAS, this law guarantees for each citizen the critical, personal element of freely choosing a home; and

WHEREAS, a fair housing law has been passed by the State of Louisiana, and implementation of the law requires the positive commitment, involvement, and support of each of our citizens; and

WHEREAS, the departments and agencies of the State of Louisiana are to provide leadership in the effort to make fair housing not just an idea, but an ideal for all our citizens; and

WHEREAS, barriers that diminish the rights and limit the options of any citizen to freely choose a home will ultimately diminish the rights and limit the options of all.

NOW, THEREFORE, We, The Bossier Parish Police Jury, do hereby proclaim the month of April, 2024, as

FAIR HOUSING MONTH

in the Parish of Bossier and do hereby encourage all citizens to abide by the letter of spirit of the Fair Housing Law, and ask the citizens of this Parish to join in reaffirming the obligation and commitment to fair housing opportunities for all.

The proclamation was offered by Ms. Glorioso, seconded by Mr. Marsiglia. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of April, 2024.

MEGAN C. RAMOS  
INTERIM PARISH SECRETARY

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Mr. Eric Hudson, Parish Engineer, stated that a 50x100 open bay building with slab floors is needed in South Bossier to store equipment and handle sandbag distribution. He stated that the proposed building will not be enclosed, but if the need arises, it is designed to easily be enclosed. Mr. Hudson stated that there will be no office space in the building, and it will be fenced in.

**Motion was made by Mr. Brotherton seconded by Mr. Salzer, to accept the proposal of up to \$22,750.00, from Civil Design Group for Professional Design Services, in the construction of the new South Bossier Highway Department Building, and to authorize the execution of documents.**

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

**YEAS: Mr. Benton, Mr. Brotherton, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Darby, Ms. Glorioso, Mr. Jordan, Mr. Marsiglia, Ms. Parks, Mr. Rimmer, Mr. Rodgers, Mr. Salzer, Mr. Sutton**

**NAYS: None**

**ABSENT: Mr. Marsiglia**

**ABSTAIN: None**

**RESOLUTION**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 3rd day of April, 2024, that it does hereby accept the proposal of Civil Design Group in the amount of up to \$22,750.00, for professional design services for construction of a new equipment building located at the South Bossier Highway Department for the Bossier Parish Police Jury.

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

The resolution was offered by Mr. Brotherton, seconded by Mr. Salzer, Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of April, 2024.

MEGAN C. RAMOS  
INTERIM PARISH SECRETARY

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Mr. Eric Hudson, Parish Engineer, stated that through research on the Sligo Road project, it was discovered that Viewpoint Road was never accepted into the parish road system. This road was inspected by the parish and inspection fees were received.

**Motion was made by Mr. Sutton, seconded by Mr. Brotherton, to accept approximately 1,400 linear feet of Viewpoint Road, located in Section 9, Township 16 North, Range 12 West, Bossier Parish, LA, (running west from Highway 71 approximately 1,400 linear feet), being 0.265 acres, more or less, into the parish road system for permanent maintenance.**

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

**YEAS: Mr. Benton, Mr. Brotherton, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Darby, Ms. Glorioso, Mr. Jordan, Mr. Marsiglia, Ms. Parks, Mr. Rimmer, Mr. Rodgers, Mr. Salzer, Mr. Sutton**

**NAYS: None**

**ABSENT: None**

**ABSTAIN: None**

ORDINANCE NO. 5011

BE IT ORDAINED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session convened on the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of April, 2024, that it does hereby accept into the parish road system for permanent maintenance, approximately 1,400 linear feet of Viewpoint Road, Bossier Parish, LA, being more particularly described as follows:

Approximately 1,400 linear feet of Viewpoint Road, located in Section 9, Township 16 North, Range 12 West, Bossier Parish, LA, (running west from Highway 71 approximately 1,400 linear feet), being 0.265 acres, more or less.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that a certified copy of this ordinance be recorded in the Office of the Clerk of Court, Bossier Parish, Louisiana.

The ordinance was offered by Mr. Sutton, seconded by Mr. Brotherton. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of April, 2024.

MEGAN C. RAMOS  
INTERIM PARISH SECRETARY

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**Motion was made by Mr. Jorden, seconded by Mr. Salzer, to accept the resignation of Mr. Jay Valentine from the Benton Fire District No. 4 Board of Commissioners, and to approve the appointment of Mr. Kenneth E. Ashley to fill the unexpired term of Mr. Jay Valentine, term to expire December 31, 2025.**

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

**YEAS: Mr. Benton, Mr. Brotherton, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Darby, Ms. Glorioso, Mr. Jorden, Mr. Marsiglia, Ms. Parks, Mr. Rimmer, Mr. Rodgers, Mr. Salzer, Mr. Sutton**

**NAYS: None**

**ABSENT: None**

**ABSTAIN: None**

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Mr. Eric Hudson, Parish Engineer, reported that Change Order No. 1, Project No. 2023-119, Sligo Road Extension Improvements – Phase II, is the final change order for the overlay project. He stated that this Change Order provides a contract increase of \$16,185.16, and a contract time increase of 32 calendar days. Mr. Hudson stated Change Order No. 1 reflects additional road patching that was not anticipated when the project was initially bid out.

**Motion was made by Mr. Sutton, seconded by Mr. Brotherton, to approve Change Order No. 1, Project No. 2023-119, Sligo Road Extension Improvements – Phase II, and authorize the execution of documents.**

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

**YEAS: Mr. Benton, Mr. Brotherton, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Darby, Ms. Glorioso, Mr. Jorden, Mr. Marsiglia, Ms. Parks, Mr. Rimmer, Mr. Rodgers, Mr. Salzer, Mr. Sutton**

**NAYS: None**

**ABSENT: None**

**ABSTAIN: None**

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of April, 2024, that it does hereby authorize the Parish President and/or Parish Administrator to execute on its behalf, any and all documents in connection with Change Order No. 1 on Project No. 2023-119, Sligo Road Extension Improvements – Phase II.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Sutton, seconded by Mr. Brotherton. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of April, 2024.

MEGAN C. RAMOS  
INTERIM PARISH SECRETARY

PHILIP RODGERS, PRESIDENT  
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**Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Darby, to ratify the recommendation of the Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District 1 Board of Appeals Committee to issue 10-day letters to delinquent customers.**

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

- YEAS:** Mr. Benton, Mr. Brotherton, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Darby, Ms. Glorioso, Mr. Jorden, Mr. Marsiglia, Ms. Parks, Mr. Rimmer, Mr. Rodgers, Mr. Salzer, Mr. Sutton
- NAYS:** None
- ABSENT:** None
- ABSTAIN:** None

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Mr. Eric Hudson, Parish Engineer, presented information on Agenda Items 14-17 regarding ratification of the Agreement for Professional Services between the Bossier Parish Police Jury and Volkert, Inc., for Program Manager/Consultant for American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funded Projects, to include Task Order Nos. 1 - 5.

Mr. Hudson stated that Task Order No. 1 is for a new well and water lines for the penal farm. He stated that the cost for Task Order No. 1 includes \$70,400.00 for engineering services and \$29,600.00 for inspection services. He stated that Task Order No. 2 is for SCADA controls for sewer lift stations at a cost of \$5,600 for engineering design. Mr. Hudson explained that Task Order No. 3, is for the closure of existing mechanical sewer plants at a cost of \$30,000 for engineering services.

Mr. Hudson advised that Task Order No. 4 is for the East Highland Mobile Home Park, advising that this is a water meter project, and the total engineering cost is \$5,000.00. He stated that Task Order No. 5 is for water distribution improvements on Dogwood Trail, Winfield Road, Princeton Road, and Wafer Road. Mr. Hudson further stated that Task Order No. 5 is also for constructing a new booster station on Winfield Road, and the total engineering cost for Task Order No. 5 is \$335,000.00.

**Motion was made by Mr. Rimmer, seconded by Mr. Jorden, to ratify the Agreement for Professional Services between the Bossier Parish Police Jury and Volkert, Inc., for Program Manager/Consultant for American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funded Projects to include Task Order Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5, and to authorize the execution of documents for each Task Order, as presented.**

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

**YEAS: Mr. Benton, Mr. Brotherton, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Darby, Ms. Glorioso, Mr. Jorden, Mr. Marsiglia, Ms. Parks, Mr. Rimmer, Mr. Rodgers, Mr. Salzer, Mr. Sutton**

**NAYS: None**

**ABSENT: None**

**ABSTAIN: None**

**RESOLUTION**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of April, 2024, that it does hereby approve and ratify the Agreement with Volkert, Inc., for Program Manager/Consultant for American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funded Projects to include Task Order No. 1, in the amount of \$70,400.00 for engineering services and \$29,600.00 for inspection services.

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

The resolution was offered by Mr. Rimmer, seconded by Mr. Jorden. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of April, 2024.

MEGAN C. RAMOS  
INTERIM PARISH SECRETARY

PHILIP RODGERS, PRESIDENT  
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of April, 2024, that it does hereby approve and ratify the Agreement with Volkert, Inc., for Program Manager/Consultant for American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funded Projects to include Task Order No. 2, in the amount of \$5,600.00 for engineering design.

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

The resolution was offered by Mr. Rimmer, seconded by Mr. Jordan. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of April, 2024.

MEGAN C. RAMOS  
INTERIM PARISH SECRETARY

PHILIP RODGERS, PRESIDENT  
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of April, 2024, that it does hereby approve and ratify the Agreement for Professional Services between Bossier Parish Police Jury and Volkert, Inc., for Program Manager/Consultant for American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funded Projects to include Task Order No. 3, in the amount of \$30,000 for engineering services.

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

The resolution was offered by Mr. Rimmer, seconded by Mr. Jordan. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of April, 2024.

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

The resolution was offered by Mr. Rimmer, seconded by Mr. Jorden. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of April, 2024.

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INTERIM PARISH SECRETARY

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BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of April, 2024, that it does hereby approve and ratify the Agreement for Professional Services between Bossier Parish Police Jury and Volkert, Inc., for Program Manager/Consultant for American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funded Projects to include Task Order No. 5, in the amount of \$335,000 for engineering services.

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

The resolution was offered by Mr. Rimmer, seconded by Mr. Jorden. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of April, 2024.

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**Motion was made by Mr. Jorden, seconded by Mr. Marsiglia, to approve an agreement regarding the care, housing and humane handling of stray animals, and to authorize the execution of documents, subject to review and approval by the Parish Attorney.**

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

**YEAS: Mr. Benton, Mr. Brotherton, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Darby, Ms. Glorioso, Mr. Jorden, Mr. Marsiglia, Ms. Parks, Mr. Rimmer, Mr. Rodgers, Mr. Salzer, Mr. Sutton**

**NAYS: None**

**ABSENT: None**

**ABSTAIN: None**

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Mr. Butch Ford, Parish Administrator, reminded jurors that a ribbon cutting ceremony for the new Bossier Central Library is being held on Tuesday, April 16, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. Mr. Ford expressed appreciation to Lisa Johnson, Bossier Chamber of Commerce, and stated that they have endorsed the library tax renewal proposition on the April 27, 2024, ballot. He stated that Bossier City Mayor Tommy Chandler, Bossier Parish Police Jury President Philip Rodgers, and Sheriff Julian Whittington will be speaking at the ribbon cutting. Mr. Ford stated that there will also be a representative from the Bossier Parish School Board.

Mr. Ford reminded jurors that the archery tournament at Camp Minden is coming up on April 24–27, 2024.

Mr. Ford stated that he has a meeting with Jan Elkins of KTBS Channel 3 on Tuesday, April 9, 2024, to discuss the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Fireworks show at the South Bossier Park. He stated that there has been a request to hold a fireworks celebration at Cypress Park as well, advising that this matter will be discussed during the meeting to see if this is something Channel 3 would be interested in.

Mr. Ford advised the jurors that a meeting to discuss the Jimmie Davis Bridge project is scheduled on Thursday, April 25, 2024, from 5:00 p.m.–7:00 p.m., at the Barksdale Baptist Church. He stated that the bridge project is projected to begin on May 15, 2024, and is estimated to take three to four years to complete. Mr. Patrick Jackson, Parish Attorney, asked Mr. Ford if there was any talk about removing the linear park from the bridge. Mr. Ford responded, advising that the park has been there for approximately 50 years, and he does not believe there is any intention of removing it. He stated that he believes the linear park will be used as a crossover for pedestrians and bicycles to cross the river.

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Mr. Eric Hudson, Parish Engineer, reported that he has a meeting with DOTD on April 23, 2024, at 10:00 a.m., to discuss the Caplis Sligo Bridge replacement. He stated that he will have a better idea on when they plan to close that section of road after attending this meeting. Mr. Hudson stated that he estimates it will be closed after schools are out for the summer.

Mr. Hudson stated that the White Oak Ditch Project is progressing nicely, and he believes it will improve the aesthetics and drainage for that area and subdivision.

Mr. Hudson stated that Belmere Subdivision, Unit Nos. 6 and 7 are near completion. He stated that Cane's Landing, Unit No. 3, streets and drainage have been approved, and engineering is currently reviewing plans for Unit No. 4. He stated that there are approximately three to four new subdivisions that are in the planning stages throughout the parish.

Mr. Hudson asked the jurors to let him know if they have any ideas for sidewalks or plans for multimodal transportation. He stated that he is working in the planning stages with the Northwest Louisiana Council of Governments (NLCOG) to implement a regional, active transportation plan.

Mr. Hudson said that since there has been an administration change in Baton Rouge, there have been some delays in previously submitted contracts. He stated that the contract for the East West Corridor project should be coming out of the contract department within the next week or so.

Mr. Hudson stated that the contract for Covington Road Extension, Phase I, is in the contractors office and is in the process of being executed. He stated that once executed, a pre-conference meeting will be scheduled.

Mr. Hudson reported that once the Jimmie Davis Bridge project begins, there will be some nighttime closures of the Arthur Ray Teague Parkway while crews hang bridge quarters.

Mr. Hudson stated that work has resumed on the North South project, and it will probably be late summer before the project is completed and the road is opened up.

Mr. Sutton requested that Mr. Hudson notify him and Mr. Brotherton when the Caplis Sligo Bridge is going to be closed.

Ms. Lisa Johnson, Bossier Chamber of Commerce, extended an invitation to jurors to a luncheon being hosted by the North Bossier Lunch Group at the Bossier Parish School for Technology and Innovative Learning. She stated that the luncheon is being held on April 23, 2024, and Senator John Kennedy will be the guest speaker.

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Mr. Kevin Gay stated that highway department crews have patched 18 roads since the last meeting. He stated that crews rocked and bladed White Road and Wallace Road, and have graded eight roads in Police Jury District 4, and four road in Police Jury District 8. Mr. Gay stated that the highway department now has another grader, for a total of three.

Mr. Gay reported that overlay crews have worked on Chandler Road and Johnson Koran Road, and stated that crews have cleaned ditches on Welch Drive, Log Ferry Road, Beauregard Road and Stromile Road. He stated that culverts have been repaired on Pine Cone Drive, Lake Road and Watson Road, and advised that crews have cut out and backfilled holes on Koran Doyline Road. Mr. Gay stated that crews have cleaned gutters on Bellevue Road and Legacy Drive, and reported that crews have been spraying mosquito larvicide about four to five times per week.

Mr. Brotherton inquired about the work being done on Johnson Koran Road. He stated that it appeared to be more patching than overlay work. Mr. Gay explained that the patching is being done to level areas of the road, and crews will then come back and overlay the entire road. Mr. Brotherton also expressed concern about getting the road striped as soon as possible.

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Ms. Pam Glorioso stated that she attended the Chamber of Commerce meeting, as well as a meeting regarding the clean-up of the old Kerr-McGee site. She stated that there were several members of the community in attendance and ideas for redevelopment of the site were discussed.

Mr. Jimmy Cochran requested that jurors keep former juror Rick Avery and his family in their thoughts and prayers.

Mr. John Ed Jorden stated that he is happy to have Mr. Chris Marsiglia back.

Mr. Tom Salzer expressed congratulations to the Parkway High School girls' basketball team. He stated as an alumnus of Parkway High School, it is always good to see the teams be successful.

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There being no further business to come before the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of April, 2024, the meeting was adjourned by the President at 2:49 p.m.

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