

ORDINANCE NO. 4592

AN ORDINANCE PURSUANT TO TITLE 39, CHAPTER 9, SECTIONS 1301 THROUGH 1315 OF THE LOUISIANA REVISED STATUTES AS AMENDED, FOR THE PURPOSE OF ADOPTING AND IMPLEMENTING THE 2016 BUDGET FOR THE BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY.

SECTION 1. BE IT ORDAINED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury that the attached 2016 Budget for the Bossier Parish Police Jury be and is hereby adopted and implemented in accordance with the Louisiana Local Governmental Budget Act, as amended.

SECTION 2. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, etc., that administrative officers of the Bossier Parish Police Jury are hereby authorized to make changes within various classifications without prior approval of the Bossier Parish Police Jury, if such changes reflect less than a five percent (5%) increase in expenditures.

The ordinance was offered by Mr. Rimmer, seconded by Mr. Cochran. It was duly adopted on this 2nd day of December, 2015, by the following vote:

AYES: Mr. Avery, Ms. Bennett, Mr. Benton, Mr. Brotherton, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Darby, Mr. Hammack, Mr. Plummer, Mr. Rimmer, Mr. Shewmake, Mr. Skaggs

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Mr. Cook

RACHEL D. HAUSER
PARISH SECRETARY

JACK SKAGGS, PRESIDENT
BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

BUDGET MESSAGE

The 2016 Budget of the Bossier Parish Police Jury is a detailed plan of operation for the coming fiscal year. The objective of local government is to provide services to the public; the controlled financing of these services achieves maximum efficiency, economy and effectiveness in the use of governmental financial resources. The aim of the Bossier Parish Police Jury is to minimize the tax burden upon local citizens, to comply with applicable state and federal laws, and to assure that the government's financial position is sound.

The 2016 Budget sets forth funding to provide maintenance and operation, as well as capital expenditures, for basic parish services. These services include the parish road system, public safety, environmental protection, health, social services, culture and recreation, economic development, general government buildings operations and financial administration.

The Bossier Parish Police Jury shall comply with all legal provisions governing the use of parish, state and federal funds to the best of our knowledge, information and belief; and shall continue to provide parish services by sound management of public funds to ensure the financial stability of this parish government.

Internal control shall be maintained by effective management of computer applications, central purchasing and accounting, and a central cash and investment program, by monitoring the flow of revenues and expenditures on a daily basis. Competent personnel and improved division of departments and responsibilities shall aid in the function of the office.

Accounting shall continue on a cash basis in accordance with generally accepted practices applicable to government units and in accordance with state-approved chart of accounts, with monthly and quarterly financial reports furnished to the members of the governing authority. Annual reports shall be prepared on a modified accrual basis.

SUMMARY OF REVENUES

REVENUES:

Taxes - Ad Valorem	\$33,908,800.
Licenses and permits	990,000.
Intergovernmental revenue - federal funds	699,178.
- state funds	4,871,630.
- other	150,000.
Fees, charges and commissions for service	4,109,200.
Fines and forfeitures	1,095,000.
Use of money and property	45,625.
Other revenue	1,765,019.
TOTAL REVENUE	47,634,452.
Operating transfers in	13,010,085.
Beginning Fund Balances	65,866,311.
TOTAL REVENUES, FUND BALANCES AND TRANSFERS	\$126,510,848.

EXPENDITURES:

General government - legislative	\$ 455,250.
- judicial	3,307,538.
- elections	366,500.
- financial & administration	2,520,690.
- other	3,362,692.
Public Safety	7,300,190.
Public Works	13,816,896.
Public Utilities	1,700,645.
Health and welfare	1,130,700.
Culture and recreation	7,075,550.
Economic development and assistance	26,021,372.
Debt service	
Principal	5,219,240.
Interest and other	2,128,407.
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	74,405,670.
Operating transfers out	13,010,085.
Ending Fund Balances	38,794,143.
Reserves	300,950.
TOTAL EXPENDITURES, RESERVES AND TRANSFERS	\$126,510,848.