

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE POLICE JURY, PARISH OF OUACHITA,
STATE OF LOUISIANA, TAKEN AT A REGULAR MEETING HELD ON,
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2017 AT 5:40 P.M.**

The Police Jury of the Parish of Ouachita, State of Louisiana met in a regular session in the Ouachita Parish Police Jury Meeting Room, Courthouse Building, Monroe, Louisiana on Tuesday, February 21, 2017 at 5:40 p.m., and was duly convened by Mr. Scotty Robinson, President.

The invocation was given by Mr. Clampit. The Pledge of Allegiance to the flag was led by Mr. Clampit.

<u>Members Present</u>	(6)
Scotty Robinson	District A
Jack Clampit	District B
Walt Caldwell	District C
Ollibeth Reddix	District D
Shane Smiley	District E
Pat Moore	District F
<u>Members Absent</u>	(0)

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

The president asked if there were any additions or amendments to the agenda. There were none. Motion offered by Mr. Caldwell, seconded by Mr. Clampit to approve the agenda as published. Motion passed without opposition.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

The president asked for public comments on the agenda as approved. No one came forth at this point in the meeting.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

A motion to adopt the minutes of the regular Police Jury meeting including the committee meetings held on February 6, 2017 was offered by Mr. Clampit seconded by Mr. Caldwell. Motion passed without opposition.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

Ordinance No. 9127 – An ordinance to authorize an Act of Sale by the Parish of Ouachita to sell adjudicated property described as Parcel 42476: Lot 21, Block 5, Faulk’s Addition to the City of Monroe, Ouachita Parish, Louisiana, in accordance with LA R.S. 47:2202 et seq. and to authorize the Ouachita Parish Police Jury president to sign all necessary documents and to address the matters relative thereto. No one appeared to speak in favor of or against said

ordinance. Motion offered by Mr. Caldwell, seconded by Mr. Smiley to close the public hearing. Motion passed without opposition.

Ordinance No. 9128 – An ordinance amending the Article II of Chapter 2 ½ of the Compiled Ordinances of Ouachita Parish, Louisiana, governing the “Ambulance Services Advisory Board”; and, further providing with respect thereto. No one appeared to speak in favor of or against said ordinance. Motion offered by Mr. Caldwell, seconded by Mr. Clampit to close the public hearing. Motion passed without opposition.

VISITORS:

The president recognized Rex Smedley, 190 Sundance Drive, Ruston. Mr. Smedley stated that he is representing Jason Everett Agency and distributed information to the Jury about Liberty National insurance and supplemental health products.

ENGINEERING REPORT:

The president recognized Mr. Crosby, Engineer. Mr. Crosby stated that he would be meeting with FEMA on the public assistance projects on Wednesday.

Mr. Crosby spoke regarding Slocum Road and stated that construction should start Thursday.

Mr. Crosby spoke regarding Crocker Lane and stated that construction should within the week.

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Motion offered by Mr. Clampit, seconded by Dr. Reddix to recess the regular meeting in favor of the finance committee meeting. Motion passed without opposition.

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

The chairman, Mr. Caldwell, called the finance committee meeting to order at 5:58 p.m.

The president recognized Mr. Cammack, Treasurer. Mr. Cammack presented the claim statement for the period of January 20, 2017 through February 16, 2017 and recommended approval. Motion offered by Mr. Robinson, seconded by Dr. Reddix to approve payment of the claims for the period stated as recommended by the Treasurer. Motion passed without opposition.

Mr. Cammack spoke regarding the replacement of the chiller at Green Oaks and recommended accepting the proposal from Fred Newton and Company, Inc. to prepare the plans and specifications for the project. Motion offered. Dr. Reddix, seconded by Mr. Clampit to accept the proposal from Fred Newton and Company, Inc. Motion passed without opposition.

There being no further business to come before this committee, a motion to adjourn and reconvene the regular meeting was offered by Mr. Smiley, seconded by Mr. Clampit. Motion passed without opposition. The finance committee meeting was adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

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Motion offered by Mr. Smiley, seconded by Mr. Clampit to ratify and adopt all actions taken in the committee meetings. Motion passed without opposition.

MOTIONS * ORDINANCES * RESOLUTIONS:

MR. SCOTTY ROBINSON, DISTRICT A:

Mr. Robinson, seconded by Mr. Smiley offered the following ordinance for adoption.

ORDINANCE NO. 9128

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ARTICLE II OF CHAPTER 2 ½ OF THE COMPILED ORDINANCES OF OUACHITA PARISH, LOUISIANA, GOVERNING THE “AMBULANCE SERVICES ADVISORY BOARD”; AND, FURTHER PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, Chapter 2 ½ of the Compiled Ordinances of Ouachita Parish, Louisiana, sets forth the “Uniform Ambulance Service Ordinance” adopted by the Ouachita Parish Police Jury, City of Monroe, and City of West Monroe in coordination through the Ouachita Council of Governments (“OCOG”);

WHEREAS, Article II of the Uniform Ambulance Service Ordinance establishes the “Ouachita Parish Ambulance Service Advisory Board” and sets forth provisions governing the membership, selection and operation of said Advisory Board;

WHEREAS, OCOG has recommended changes in the membership of the Advisory Board in order to improve the effectiveness of said Board and to give representation to hospitals affected by ambulance service in Ouachita Parish; and,

WHEREAS, the Ouachita Parish Police Jury finds that the subject changes in the membership of the Ouachita Parish Ambulance Service Advisory Board are in the public interest.

NOW, THEREFORE:

BE IT ORDAINED by the Ouachita Parish Police Jury in legal and Regular Session that the Article II of Chapter 2 ½ of the Compiled Ordinances of Ouachita Parish, Louisiana, governing the Ouachita Parish Ambulance Service Advisory Board be supplemented and amended to provide as follows (*changes shown by underlined additions and stricken deletions*):

ARTICLE II. - AMBULANCE SERVICE ADVISORY BOARD

Sec. 2½-11. Name - and purpose.

In order that the local governing bodies will have the benefit of relevant technical and professional expertise there is hereby created the "Ouachita Parish Ambulance Service Advisory Board" (board) which shall assist and advise the

local governing bodies with respect to the selection of a sole provider for ambulance service in Ouachita Parish and the regulation of such service as set forth herein.

Sec. 2½-12. - Members and method of appointment.

The board shall consist of seven (7), appointed as follows for a term of two (2) years:

(1) One (1) member of the board shall be appointed by the president of the University of Louisiana at Monroe.

(2) The mayor of the City of Monroe, the mayor of the City of West Monroe and the president of the Ouachita Parish Police Jury shall each appoint one (1) member of the board. Each of these three (3) appointees shall be familiar with emergency medical services in Ouachita Parish.

(3) The Chief Executive Officer (or person serving in the equivalent position) of each Medical Center operating a 24 hour Emergency Department in Ouachita Parish shall appoint one member of the Board. This provision calls for three (3) appointments, one each from the chief executive of each of the following Medical Centers: St. Francis Medical Center; Glenwood Regional Medical Center; and, E. A. Conway Medical Center.

No member of the board shall be affiliated with any ambulance service. There shall be no limit on the number of terms a member may serve on the board.

Sec. 2½-13. - Notification of appointment.

The appointing authority shall provide written notice identifying its appointee to the Executive Director of OCOG and the appointment shall become effective upon the Executive Director's receipt of that notice. The Executive Director of OCOG shall communicate, in writing, to the local governing authorities the name of all appointees and their date of the appointment. All appointments will be publically reported at the next meeting of OCOG.

Sec. 2½-14. - Meetings.

The board shall meet at any time on the call of the chairman, the executive director of OCOG, or on the written request of any three (3) members. The board will meet regularly at least quarterly. All meetings of the board shall be opened to the public as provided by law. The board may make its own rules and regulations concerning the conduct of its meetings.

Sec. 2½-15. - Attendance at meetings.

Members of the board shall be expected to attend all regular and called meetings. Should a member be absent from more than twenty-five (25) per cent of the board's meetings in a calendar year, the licensing officer shall notify the authority that appointed such member and request that the member be removed from the board and a new member be appointed.

Sec. 2½-16. - Organization and quorum of the board.

The board shall elect, at its first meeting, and annually thereafter, a chairman, a vice chairman and a secretary from its membership. The term of each officer shall be for one (1) year with eligibility for reelection. Four (4) members of the board shall constitute a quorum for all purposes.

Sec. 2½-17. - Committees.

The board shall have the power to designate various committees with such powers and duties as the board may prescribe, provided that such powers and duties do not violate any law of the State of Louisiana.

Sec. 2½-18. - Reports.

The board shall keep an accurate record of all of its meetings and shall, at least annually, give to OCOG a written report of the board's activities for the prior year. The board shall provide to the executive director of OCOG copies of the minutes of each of its meetings.

Sec. 2½-19. - Legal representation.

The district attorney for Ouachita Parish or his/her designee, shall serve as the legal advisor to the board.

Sec. 2½-20. - Duties and authority of board.

The board shall have the following duties and authority:

- (a) As desired, the board may review and recommend to OCOG and the local governing authorities any changes in this chapter regulating ambulance services.
- (b) As desired, the board may review and recommend to the OCOG and the local governing authorities any changes in the standards and procedures with reference to the provision of emergency medical services.

(c) The board will respond to any complaint concerning quality of all emergency medical services provided under the sole provider license issued through OCOG by the local governing authorities pursuant to this chapter.

(d) The board will respond to any complaint concerning rates and charges by emergency medical service providers in Ouachita Parish and can make any recommendation concerning the same to OCOG and the local governing authorities.

(e) As desired, the board may review and recommend to OCOG and the local governing authorities any recommendations it has concerning the provision of any emergency medical service to the citizens of Ouachita Parish.

(f) As desired, the board may encourage the local governing authorities in Ouachita Parish to adopt such ordinances as are needed in order to provide quality ambulance service to all citizens living within Ouachita Parish.

(g) The board will hear any complaint of any person with reference to the provision of ambulance services in Ouachita Parish. In connection with such complaints the privacy rights of any patient will be protected in accordance with law. The hearing of complaints by the board will be conducted under the following procedure:

(1) All complaints must be in writing. All written complaints must be directed initially to the executive director of OCOG.

(2) The executive director of OCOG will notify the chairman of the board in writing of the receipt of any written complaint.

(3) The executive director of OCOG will notify the emergency medical service provider in writing of the complaint, will furnish a copy of the written complaint to the provider and will allow fifteen (15) days for the provider to respond in writing to the complaint.

(4) The executive director of OCOG will furnish a copy of the written response of the emergency medical service provider to the complaining party upon the receipt of same.

(5) The board will consider and attempt to mediate and resolve the complaint, if possible. If the complaint is resolved, notice of the resolution will be sent by the executive director of OCOG to the complaining party and to the emergency medical service provider.

(6) If the complaint is not able to be resolved by the board, the executive director of OCOG will refer the complaint, together with the response of the

provider, and any recommendation that the board deems appropriate to the local governing authorities and/or appropriate law enforcement agencies.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that except as set forth above Chapter 2 ½ of the Compiled Ordinances of Ouachita Parish, Louisiana, shall otherwise remain in full force and effect.

The above ordinance was introduced on the 6th day of February, 2017.

The ordinance was submitted to a roll call vote, and the vote thereon was as follows

YEAS: (6) Mr. Scotty Robinson, District A; Mr. Jack Clampit, District B; Mr. Walt Caldwell, District C; Dr. Ollibeth Reddix, District D, Mr. Shane Smiley, District E; and Ms. Pat Moore, District F.

NAYS: (0)

ABSTAIN: (0)

ABSENT: (0)

The ordinance was adopted this 21st day of February, 2017.

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Mr. Robinson, seconded by Dr. Reddix offered the following ordinance for adoption.

ORDINANCE NO. 9127

AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE AN ACT OF SALE BY THE PARISH OF OUACHITA TO SELL ADJUDICATED PROPERTY DESCRIBED AS PARCEL 42476: LOT 21, BLOCK 5, FAULK'S ADDITION TO THE CITY OF MONROE, OUACHITA PARISH, LOUISIANA, IN ACCORDANCE WITH LA R.S. 47:2202 ET SEQ. AND TO AUTHORIZE THE OUACHITA PARISH POLICE JURY PRESIDENT TO SIGN ALL NECESSARY DOCUMENTS AND TO ADDRESS THE MATTERS RELATIVE THERETO.

WHEREAS, the immovable property described below was adjudicated to the Parish of Ouachita on July 5, 2011, for nonpayment of taxes; and

WHEREAS, the three (3) year period for redemption provided by Art. 7, §25 of the Louisiana Constitution has elapsed, established by Parish Ordinance No: 9037 and the owner of record has failed to redeem the adjudicated property; and

WHEREAS, LA R.S. 47: 2202 et seq. provides that the Parish may sell adjudicated property in accordance with law after the expiration of the period for redemption; and

WHEREAS, the Parish of Ouachita has declared the property described below surplus and not needed for a public purpose and to dispose of said property in accordance with LA R.S. 47:2202, et seq.; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with L.A. R.S. 47:2202 the Parish of Ouachita has set a minimum bid for public sale at \$2,893.72 and

WHEREAS, the Parish of Ouachita has received a written offer to purchase said property from Michelle Dixon for the consideration \$2,893.72 cash, at the time of sale and has been accepted by the Ouachita Parish Police Jury; and

WHEREAS, the property described herein below is scheduled for public auction on February 8, 2017 at 10:00 a.m.

NOW BE IT ORDAINED by the Ouachita Parish Police Jury, that any Act of Sale of the below described property shall contain the following conditions and requirements:

- 1) This property described as Ouachita Parish Parcel # 42476, with no municipal address located on Garrett Road, Monroe, LA, and more fully described as:

Lot 21, Block 5 of Faulks' Addition to the City of Monroe, Louisiana, as per plat on file in the Office of Clerk and Recorder of Ouachita Parish, Louisiana.

- 2) This property shall be sold in accordance with LS-R.S. 47:2201 et. seq., without any warranty, from either the Parish or Management Company, whatsoever, even as to the return of the purchase price.
- 3) The sale shall be on a form approved by the Parish Attorney and that the sales price is paid by certified funds at the time of the sale.
- 4) The sale shall include a reservation of all mineral rights to the Parish, but shall convey all surface rights.
- 5) The following shall be completed prior to closing of sale:
 - a. E&P LLC shall certify in writing to the Parish Attorney that they have examined the mortgage records, conveyance records, probate and civil suit records of the Parish of Ouachita and that attached to this certification will be a written list of names and last known addresses of all owners, mortgagees, and any other person who may have a vested or contingent interest in the property, or who has filed a request for notice as provided in the former provisions LS-R.S. 33:4720.17(B), as indicated in those records.
 - b. E&P LLC will provide notice to those persons identified in accordance with LS-R.S. 47:2201 et. seq. Proof of said notice will be filed in the conveyance records of Ouachita Parish immediately after the Act of Sale.

- c. At the time of closing, the E&P LLC will certify in writing to Parish Attorney and Clerk of Court that the number of days mandated by LS-R.S. 47:2201 et. seq. has elapsed since the above required notice was made or attempted and that the property has not been redeemed by the payment of the taxes owed.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, by the Ouachita Parish Policy Jury, that the Police Jury President is hereby authorized to execute a Cash Sale of the above described adjudicated property to the highest acceptable bidder. The Cash Sale shall contain all of the above conditions and requirements and shall be executed within the timelines specified.

The above ordinance was introduced on the 6th day of February, 2017.

The ordinance was submitted to a roll call vote, and the vote thereon was as follows

YEAS: (6) Mr. Scotty Robinson, District A; Mr. Jack Clampit, District B; Mr. Walt Caldwell, District C; Dr. Ollibeth Reddix, District D, Mr. Shane Smiley, District E; and Ms. Pat Moore, District F.

NAYS: (0)

ABSTAIN: (0)

ABSENT: (0)

The ordinance was adopted this 21st day of February, 2017.

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Mr. Robinson introduced the following ordinance.

ORDINANCE NO. 9129

AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE AN ACT OF SALE BY THE PARISH OF OUACHITA TO SELL ADJUDICATED PROPERTY DESCRIBED AS PARCEL 16054: LOT 1 OF THE ETTA DAVENPORT SUBDIVISION, (LESS 10 FT STRIP IN NORTH), OUACHITA PARISH, LOUISIANA, IN ACCORDANCE WITH LA R.S. 47: 2202 ET SEQ. AND TO AUTHORIZE THE OUACHITA PARISH POLICE JURY PRESIDENT TO SIGN ALL NECESSARY DOCUMENTS AND TO ADDRESS THE MATTERS RELATIVE THERETO

WHEREAS, the immovable property described below was adjudicated to the Parish of Ouachita on June 10, 2009, for nonpayment of taxes; and

WHEREAS, the three (3) three year period, as well as the (5) five year period for redemption provided by Art. 7, §25 of the Louisiana Constitution has elapsed, established by Parish Ordinance No: 9037 and the owner of record has failed to redeem the adjudicated property; and

WHEREAS, LA R.S. 47: 2202 et seq. provides that the Parish may sell adjudicated property in accordance with law after the expiration of the period for redemption; and

WHEREAS, the Parish of Ouachita has declared the property described below surplus and not needed for a public purpose and to dispose of said property in accordance with LA R.S. 47:2202, et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Parish of Ouachita has received a written offer to purchase said property from Harrington Watson, Jr. for the consideration \$1,637.12 cash, has been accepted by the Ouachita Parish Police Jury; and

WHEREAS, the property described herein below will be purchased through the Parish “Lot Next Door” program and is therefore exempt from the public bidding requirement.

NOW BE IT ORDAINED by the Ouachita Parish Police Jury, that any Act of Sale of the below described property shall contain the following conditions and requirements:

- 1) This property described as Ouachita Parish Parcel #16054, with no municipal address located, Monroe, LA, and more fully described as:

**Lot 1 of the Etta Davenport Subdivision, Ouachita Parish, Louisiana
(Less 10 ft strip in North)**

- 2) This property shall be sold in accordance with LS-R.S. 47:2201 et. seq., without any warranty, from either the Parish or Management Company, whatsoever, even as to the return of the purchase price.
- 3) The sale shall be on a form approved by the Parish Attorney and that the sales price is paid by certified funds at the time of the sale.
- 4) The sale shall include a reservation of all mineral rights to the Parish, but shall convey all surface rights.
- 5) The following shall be completed prior to closing of sale:
 - a. E&P LLC shall certify in writing to the Parish Attorney that they have examined the mortgage records, conveyance records, probate and civil suit records of the Parish of Ouachita and that attached to this certification will be a written list of names and last known addresses of all owners, mortgagees, and any other person who may have a vested or contingent interest in the property, or who has filed a request for notice as provided in the former provisions LS-R.S. 33:4720.17(B), as indicated in those records.

- b. E&P LLC will provide notice to those persons identified in accordance with LS-R.S. 47:2201 et. seq. Proof of said notice will be filed in the conveyance records of Ouachita Parish immediately after the Act of Sale.
- c. At the time of closing, the E&P LLC will certify in writing to Parish Attorney and Clerk of Court that the number of days mandated by LS-R.S. 47:2201 et. seq. has elapsed since the above required notice was made or attempted and that the property has not been redeemed by the payment of the taxes owed.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, by the Ouachita Parish Policy Jury, that the Police Jury President is hereby authorized to execute a Cash Sale of the above described adjudicated property to the highest acceptable bidder. The Cash Sale shall contain all of the above conditions and requirements and shall be executed within the timelines specified.

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Mr. Robinson introduced the following ordinance.

ORDINANCE NO. 9130

AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE AN ACT OF SALE BY THE PARISH OF OUACHITA TO SELL ADJUDICATED PROPERTY DESCRIBED AS: PARCEL NO. 71029 IN ACCORDANCE WITH LA R.S. 47: 2202 ET SEQ. AND TO AUTHORIZE THE OUACHITA PARISH POLICE JURY PRESIDENT TO SIGN ALL NECESSARY DOCUMENTS AND TO ADDRESS THE MATTERS RELATIVE THERETO

WHEREAS, the immovable property described below was adjudicated to the Parish of Ouachita on June 11, 1997, for nonpayment of taxes; and

WHEREAS, the three (3) year period for redemption provided by Art. 7, §25 of the Louisiana Constitution has elapsed, as well as the five (5) year redemption period established by Parish Ordinance No: 9016 and the owner of record has failed to redeem the adjudicated property; and

WHEREAS, LA R.S. 47: 2202 et seq. provides that the Parish may sell adjudicated property in accordance with law after the expiration of the period for redemption; and

WHEREAS, the Parish of Ouachita has declared the property described below surplus and not needed for a public purpose and to dispose of said property in accordance with LA R.S. 47:2202, et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Parish of Ouachita has received a written offer to purchase said property from Pat Ray and Lana Hezekiah, for the consideration of \$2,000.00 cash, at the time of sale and has been accepted by the Ouachita Parish Police Jury; and

WHEREAS, the property described herein below will be purchased through the Parish “Lot Next Door” program and is therefore exempt from the public bidding requirement.

NOW BE IT ORDAINED by the Ouachita Parish Police Jury, that any Act of Sale of the below described property shall contain the following conditions and requirements:

- 1) This property described as Ouachita Parish Parcel #71029, with municipal address 4105 Halsell Street, Monroe, LA 71203 and more fully described as:

Lot Seventeen (17) of Square Seventy-Two (72), Unit No. Eleven (11), Booker T. Washington Addition to the City of Monroe, Louisiana.

- 2) This property shall be sold in accordance with LS-R.S. 47:2201 et. seq., without any warranty, from either the Parish or Management Company, whatsoever, even as to the return of the purchase price.
- 3) The sale shall be on a form approved by the Parish Attorney and that the sales price is paid by certified funds at the time of the sale.
- 4) The sale shall include a reservation of all mineral rights to the Parish, but shall convey all surface rights.
- 5) The following shall be completed prior to closing of sale:
 - a. E&P LLC shall certify in writing to the Parish Attorney that they have examined the mortgage records, conveyance records, probate and civil suit records of the Parish of Ouachita and that attached to this certification will be a written list of names and last known addresses of all owners, mortgagees, and any other person who may have a vested or contingent interest in the property, or who has filed a request for notice as provided in the former provisions LS-R.S. 33:4720.17(B), as indicated in those records.
 - b. E&P LLC will provide notice to those persons identified in accordance with LS-R.S. 47:2201 et. seq. Proof of said notice will be filed in the conveyance records of Ouachita Parish immediately after the Act of Sale.
 - c. At the time of closing, the E&P LLC will certify in writing to Parish Attorney and Clerk of Court that the number of days mandated by LS-R.S. 47:2201 et. seq. has elapsed since the above required notice was made or attempted and that the property has not been redeemed by the payment of the taxes owed.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, by the Ouachita Parish Policy Jury, that the Police Jury President is hereby authorized to execute a Cash Sale of the above described adjudicated property to the highest acceptable bidder. The Cash Sale shall contain all of the above conditions and requirements and shall be executed within the timelines specified.

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Mr. Robinson introduced the following ordinance.

ORDINANCE NO. 9132

AN ORDINANCE REVOKING A PORTION OF THE RIGHT-OF-WAY OF AIRLINE BOULEVARD; AND, FURTHER PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, the filing of the plat of McElroy's Subdivision, of record in Plat Book 11 Page 147 of the Conveyance Records of Ouachita Parish, dedicated to the Ouachita Parish Police Jury the right-of-way for Airline Boulevard, running southerly from La. Hwy 616 to Old Arkansas Road;

WHEREAS, no public road has ever been constructed or maintained in the southern portion of this dedicated right-of-way;

WHEREAS, the owner of all properties fronting on and accessed by said southern, unimproved portion of the Airline Boulevard right-of-way have requested the revocation of said right-of-way; and,

WHEREAS, there exists no public purpose for the Ouachita Parish Police Jury to retain said southern, unimproved portion of the dedicated right-of-way of Airline Boulevard; and,

NOW, THEREFORE:

BE IT ORDAINED by the Ouachita Parish Police Jury at a Regular Meeting held on March 6, 2017, that the following described portion of the right-of-way of Airline Boulevard dedicated by the plat of McElroy Subdivision, of record in Plat Book 11, Page 147 of the Conveyance Records of Ouachita Parish, be, and is hereby, revoked:

That portion of said right-of-way beginning at the "END OF PUBLIC MAINTENANCE" shown on "The Plat of Survey for Mr. Ryan Lane" by Don W. Antley, PLS (a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A") and running westerly and southerly therefrom a distance of 450'+/- to the northern right-of-way line of Old Arkansas Road.

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Mr. Robinson, seconded by Mr. Clampit offered the following resolution for adoption.

RESOLUTION NO. 17-17

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A CERTIFICATE OF SUBSTANTIAL COMPLETION FOR THE OLE HIGHWAY 15 PROJECT (STATE PROJECT NO. H.011742); AND, FURTHER PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, the Parish Engineer has advised that the Ole Highway 15 Project (State Project No. H.011742) has reached substantial completion;

NOW, THEREFORE:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Ouachita Parish Police Jury does hereby authorize the President to execute a Certificate of Substantial Completion for the Ole Highway 15 Project and to take such other actions as are necessary in connection therewith.

The above resolution was adopted the 21st day of February, 2017.

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The president recognized Mr. Clampit, District B.

MR. JACK CLAMPIT, DISTRICT B:

Mr. Clampit, seconded by Ms. Moore offered the following ordinance for adoption.

ORDINANCE NO. 9133

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF CHENIERE LAKE PARK AREA THREE DURING THE PRESENT CONSTRUCTION PROJECT ON LA. HWY. 3033; ESTABLISHING PENALTIES FOR THE UNAUTHORIZED PRESENCE ON THE PROPERTY OF CHENIERE LAKE AREA THREE WHEN CLOSED; AND, FURTHER PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, the Ouachita Parish Police Jury owns Cheniere Lake in western Ouachita Parish;

WHEREAS, the Ouachita Parish Police Jury owns several riparian parcels around Cheniere Lake upon which the Ouachita Parish Police Jury operates parks that include boat ramps and other recreational facilities;

WHEREAS, one of these parks which is designated as “Cheniere Lake Area Three” is immediately adjacent to La. Hwy. 3033 and has its only motor vehicle access by way of said highway;

WHEREAS, La. Hwy. 3033 was significantly damaged by the March 2016 flood and the portion of that highway in proximity to Cheniere Lake Park Area 3 has been closed since said flood;

WHEREAS, presently Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development (“LA DOTD”) is undertaking a major project for the repair of La. Hwy. 3033 and the portion of that highway adjacent to Area Three is a construction zone being traversed by numerous dump trucks and other heavy equipment working on the project. Further, said trucks and equipment are using portions of Area Three for turnaround, staging, storage, etc.;

WHEREAS, members of the public attempting to access Area Three by motor vehicle or

on foot would have to pass through a significant length of the construction zone, which creates an imminent peril to such members of the public and to those working on the project;

WHEREAS, the closure of Area Three during this construction project is necessary to promote safety in the work zone, and to enhance security and safety on the Area Three property; and,

WHEREAS, other parks such as Cheniere Lake Area One provide fishermen and others with public access to Cheniere Lake;

NOW, THEREFORE:

BE IT ORDAINED by the Ouachita Parish Police Jury in legal and regular session that Article III of Chapter 11 of the Compiled Ordinances of the Parish of Ouachita, State of Louisiana, be, and hereby is, supplemented and amended to add Section 11-61 to provide as follows:

“Sec. 11-61. Temporary closure of Cheniere Lake Park Area Three.

- A. Due to the ongoing construction project on La. Hwy. 3033, Cheniere Lake Park Area Three shall be closed to the public beginning February 22, 2017. It shall be unlawful for any person to be on the property of Cheniere Lake Park Area Three during such closure without the express, written permission of the Ouachita Parish Police Jury.**
- B. This Ordinance shall not apply to persons present on the property of Cheniere Lake Park Area Three in connection with their duties as employees or representatives of the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development (“LA DOTD”) or any contractor, sub-contractor, supplier, consultant, or the like, engaged in La. DOTD’s ongoing La. Hwy. 3033 construction project.**
- C. Any person violating the provisions of this Section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine of not less than one hundred dollars (\$100.00) nor more than five hundred dollars (\$500.00).**

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the Ouachita Parish Public Works Department is hereby directed to post appropriate signage at the entrances to Cheniere Lake Park Area Three advising park users of the temporary closure of said Park;

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that LA DOTD is hereby requested to allow the Ouachita Parish Public Works Department is to post appropriate signage on La. Hwy. 3033 advising the public of the temporary closure of Cheniere Lake Park Area Three.

The ordinance was submitted to a roll call vote, and the vote thereon was as follows

YEAS: (6) Mr. Scotty Robinson, District A; Mr. Jack Clampit, District B; Mr. Walt Caldwell, District C; Dr. Ollibeth Reddix, District D, Mr. Shane Smiley, District E; and Ms. Pat Moore, District F.

NAYS: (0)

ABSTAIN: (0)

ABSENT: (0)

The ordinance was adopted this 21st day of February, 2017.

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The president recognized Mr. Caldwell, District C.

MR. WALT CALDWELL, DISTRICT C:

Mr. Caldwell spoke regarding the Martha Drive Lake Park drainage and requested a public meeting to set up a new drainage district.

Mr. Caldwell introduced the following ordinance.

ORDINANCE NO. 9131

AN ORDINANCE REVOKING THE RIGHT-OF-WAY OF HIGMAN STREET; AND, FURTHER PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, the filing of the plat of Montgomery’s Subdivision, of record in Plat Book 4 Page 37 of the Conveyance Records of Ouachita Parish, dedicated to the Ouachita Parish Police Jury the rights-of-way for certain roads, including Higman Street, a dead-end road running southerly from Coleman Avenue;

WHEREAS, the owner(s) of all properties fronting on and accessed by Higman Street have requested the revocation of said street; and,

WHEREAS, there exists no public purpose for the continuation of said Higman Street as a public road of Ouachita Parish; and,

NOW, THEREFORE:

BE IT ORDAINED by the Ouachita Parish Police Jury at a Regular Meeting held on March 6, 2017, that the right-of-way of Higman Street dedicated by the plat of Montgomery’s Subdivision, of record in Plat Book 4 Page 37 of the Conveyance Records of Ouachita Parish, be, and is hereby, revoked.

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The president recognized Dr. Reddix, District D.

DR. OLLIBETH REDDIX, DISTRICT D:

Dr. Reddix, seconded by Ms. Moore offered the following resolution for adoption.

RESOLUTION NO. 17-15

A RESOLUTION STATING THE INTEREST OF THE OUACHITA PARISH POLICE JURY IN THE ENDORSEMENT OF PULPMILL SERVICES, INC. AND THEIR PROJECT #20170030 TO PARTICIPATE IN THE BENEFITS OF THE LOUISIANA ENTERPRISE ZONE PROGRAM.

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Enterprise Zone Act of 1981, Act 901 was enacted by the Louisiana State Legislature, and Act 337 was enacted by the 1982 Legislature, Act 433 was enacted by the 1987 Legislature, and Act 581 was enacted by the 1995 Legislature, and

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Enterprise Zone Program offers significant incentives for economic development to some of the most distressed areas in Ouachita Parish, and

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Department of Economic Development designated Census Tract 106.03 Block Group 1 in Ouachita Parish as Enterprise Zone eligible based on enabling legislation R.S.51.21.1787-1791), and

WHEREAS, the Ouachita Parish Police Jury states this endorsement is in agreement with the Overall Economic Development Plan for Ouachita Parish, and

WHEREAS, the **attached Enterprise Zone map** has been marked to show the location of the business being endorsed, and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the Louisiana Enterprise Zone Program requirements Ouachita Parish agrees:

1. To participate in the enterprise zone program.
2. To assist the Department in evaluating progress made in any enterprise zone within its jurisdiction.
3. To REFUND all applicable local sales taxes on the purchase of the material used in the construction of a building, or any addition or improvement thereon, for housing any legitimate business enterprise, and machinery and equipment used in that enterprise. This tax refund would be on materials, construction and equipment purchased for a project and used by a business **permanently on that site.**

NOW, THEREFORE,

Section 1. BE IT RESOLVED by the Ouachita Parish Police Jury of Ouachita Parish, Louisiana, in regular and legal session convened, that Pulpmill Services, Inc., State Application #20170030 is endorsed to participate in the Louisiana Enterprise Zone Program.

Section 2. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Ouachita Parish Police Jury of Ouachita Parish, Louisiana, in regular and legal session convened, that if any provision or item of this resolution of the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items or applications of this resolution which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, items or applications and to this end the provisions of this resolution are hereby declared severable.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all resolutions or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

The resolution was adopted on the 21st day of February, 2017.

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Dr. Reddix, seconded by Mr. Caldwell offered the following resolution for adoption:

RESOLUTION NO. 17-16

A RESOLUTION APPOINTING JESSICA ROBERTS TO THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF KEEP OUACHITA PARISH BEAUTIFUL COMMITTEE FOR A TERM OF THREE (3) YEARS BEGINNING FEBRUARY 21, 2017 AND ENDING FEBRUARY 21, 2020; AND FURTHER PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, there exists a vacancy on the Board of Commissioners of Keep Ouachita Parish Beautiful Committee and Jessica Roberts desires to serve as a member of the Board of Commissioners;

NOW, THEREFORE:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Ouachita Parish Police Jury in legal and regular session that Jessica Roberts, 4106 Webster Street, Monroe, Louisiana 71203, be and is hereby appointed to serve on the Board of Commissioners of Keep Ouachita Parish Beautiful Committee for a term of three (3) years beginning February 21, 2017 and ending February 21, 2020.

The above resolution was adopted on this 21st day of February, 2017.

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The president recognized Mr. Smiley, District E.

MR. SHANE SMILEY, DISTRICT E:

Mr. Smiley stated that he did not have any items.

The president recognized Ms. Moore, District F.

MS. PAT MOORE, DISTRICT F:

Motion offered by Ms. Moore, seconded by Mr. Robinson to approve the travel reimbursement for a meeting Ms. Moore attended in Baton Rouge on February 11. Motion passed without opposition.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

The president recognized Mr. Cammack, Treasurer. Mr. Cammack requested approval for William Jones to attend the Tyler/New World 2017 Conference in San Antonio, TX. Mr. Cammack stated that Denise McKinney and Bobby Moore with the Fire Department will also be attending the conference. Motion offered by Mr. Caldwell, seconded by Dr. Reddix to approve the travel request for Williams Jones, Denise McKinney, and Bobby Moore. Motion passed without opposition.

The president recognized Chief Hemphill, Fire Department. Chief Hemphill requested to confirm Michael Young as permanent district fire chief effective February 21. Motion offered by Ms. Moore seconded by Dr. Reddix to approve the confirmation. Motion passed without opposition.

The president recognized Mr. Mitchell, Assistant District Attorney. Mr. Mitchell stated that he did not have any items.

The president recognized Mr. Murray, Public Works Director. Mr. Murray stated that the fire hydrant variance request on the agenda had been resolved and no action was needed.

BEER AND WHISKEY APPLICATIONS:

Mr. Mitchell spoke regarding the following beer and whiskey application and recommended approval. Motion offered by Mr. Robinson, seconded by Mr. Caldwell to approve the following application as recommended. Motion passed without opposition.

1) THORPE, JAMES

DG LOUISIANA LLC, DBA DOLLAR GENERAL STORE
#10062, 1382 HIGHWAY 139, MONROE, LA 71203,
RETAIL BEER "CLASS B", RETAIL LIQUOR "CLASS
D", 2017 NEW

OTHER BUSINESS:

There being no other business to come before the Jury, a motion to adjourn was offered by Mr. Caldwell, seconded by Mr. Smiley. The meeting was adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

Scotty Robinson, President

Karen Cupit, Recording Secretary