

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
CADDO PARISH COMMISSION
HELD ON THE 18TH DAY OF JUNE, 2009

The Caddo Parish Commission met in legal and regular session on the above date at 3:30 p.m. in the Government Chamber with Ms. Stephanie Lynch, President, presiding, and the following members in attendance, constituting a quorum: Commissioners Baker, Cox, Dominick, Epperson, Jenkins, Linn, Lynch, McCulloch, Pierson, Smith and Thibodeaux (11). ABSENT: Commissioner Escude (1).

The invocation was given by Mr. DeMarquis Seets, and Ms. Alexis Daniels led the Commission in the Pledge of Allegiance. Both are students in the BizCamp program.

It was **moved by Mr. Jenkins**, seconded by Mr. Epperson, *that the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on June 4, 2009, be adopted. Motion carried.*

COMMUNIQUES AND REPORTS

- Mr. Woodrow Wilson, Administrator, announced that thanks to the efforts of Finance Director Erica Bryant and the Finance Department, the Parish of Caddo has again been named recipient of the Government Finance Officers Association's "Excellence in Financial Reporting and Accounting" for the year 2007.
- Mr. Dominick stated that he had distributed information relative to the 18th annual "Get Hooked on Fishing" Day at Earl Williamson Park on Caddo Lake, sponsored by Director Larry Raymond and the Parks and Recreation Department. The event will be held on Saturday, June 27, beginning at 7:30 a.m. He urged all Commissioners to attend and participate.
- Mr. Dominick also announced that he had been contacted by Mr. Mike Erwin, principal at Oil City Elementary School, stating that the school has been holding an activity at Earl Williamson Park in connection with Troop G of the Louisiana State Police relative to water activities and safety. Mr. Dominick said that the Parish Parks Department is sponsoring lots of activities; the public needs to become more aware of what those activities are so more people can get involved.
- Ms. Lynch announced that she had distributed a stimulus recovery report entitled "100 Projects, 100 Days", citing progress that has been made in the 100 days since the President signed the Economic Recovery Act.
- Also, she said, the public should be reminded that they can watch meetings of the Caddo Parish Commission on the Parish's website, www.Caddo.org.

VISITORS

At this time the President stated that a group of young people from BizCamp were visiting the Commission meeting to report on their activities for the year. Students Bruce Full and DeMarquis Seets came forward and thanked the Caddo Parish Commission for the support it has given BizCamp over the years. During the current session of BizCamp they have already learned many valuable things to help them become entrepreneurs.

They then presented the Commissioners BizCamp T-shirts as a token of their appreciation for the Commission's continuous support.

Mrs. Levenson came forward and introduced the staff. She stated that with 47 students enrolled in the camp, it is one of the largest groups to come through the program. She said that without the support of entities such as the Commission the BizCamp experience would not be possible. It is a two-week entrepreneur camp where students are trained in the tenets of entrepreneurship. Many exciting "bizplans" are becoming a reality, she said, and they will be judged on Wednesday, June 24 at Centenary College.

PUBLIC HEARING ON ZONING CASES

- ZONING CASE P-06-09 in regard to Ordinance No. 4888 of 2009 (10539 Norris Ferry Road) property located on the east side of Ellerbe Road 500 feet south of Southern Loop, BERNARD'S MARKET & EATERY, L.L.C., APPLICANT.
Request to rezone property located on the east side of Ellerbe Road 500 feet south of Southern Loop **from** R-A, Residence/Agriculture District **to** B-2, Neighborhood Business District for proposed B-2 Development.
- ZONING CASE P-07-09 in regard to Ordinance No. 4889 of 2009 (9525 Pleasant Hill Drive) property located on the east side of Pleasant Hill 355 feet south of Dunn Drive, DAVID PIERCE, APPLICANT.

Request to rezone property located on the east side of Pleasant Hill Drive, 355 feet south of Dunn Drive from R-1D, Urban, One-Family residence District to R-1D-E, Urban, One-Family Residence/Extended Use District for proposed outside storage of metal studs, vehicles and trailers only.

- ZONING CASE P-08-09 in regard to Ordinance No. 4890 of 2009 (7695/7697 West 70th Street) property located on the south side of West 70th Street 675 feet east of Dinkins Drive, CLYDE & CATHERINE P. BARNES, APPLICANT.
Request to rezone property located on the south side of West 70th Street east of Dinkins Drive from R-A, (SPI-2) Residence/Agriculture (Industrial Park Overlay) District to I-1(SPI-2), Light Industry (Industrial Park Overlay) District for a proposed contractor's office and equipment yard or other uses within this zoning classification

The President asked if there was anyone present to speak in support of or in opposition to any of the above zoning cases, and there was no one. She declared the public hearing on zoning cases to be concluded.

PUBLIC HEARING ON ORDINANCES

- Ordinance No. 4892 of 2009 to enact Chapter 11 of the Code of Ordinances addressing code enforcement and to otherwise provide with respect thereto

The President asked if there was anyone present to speak in support of or in opposition to any of the above ordinances, and Mr. Jimmy Couvillion, 9950 Mansfield Road, came forward. He stated that he is very supportive of this ordinance's purpose and intent, but he has some concerns about its particulars.

He pointed out that the ordinance includes some exemptions, including five-acre tracts. There are lots of these five-acre tracts, many on limited access roads, and inevitably a number of them will be trashy. If there is a neglected property at or near the entrance of the access road, every resident of the road has to view the blighted property each time they come and go, especially in regard to its enforcement. In addition to being offensive to other property owners, the blighted properties reduce property values and their marketability for the other properties on the road, he said.

Mr. Couvillion said he is particularly concerned how the ordinance will be enforced. It provides that "...constables and justices of the peace may enter any building, structure or premises at reasonable times for purposes of ascertaining whether a violation of this section exists, where there is reason to believe that such may be the case".

He said that as he interprets this statement, it includes the possibility that constables might be entering residential homes. Visible trash outside a home is one thing, he said, but trash or clutter inside a home is a different matter, he said. This ordinance should deal only with exterior, curb-side issues. Not only are constitutional issues involved, residential searches can create some very hazardous circumstances, he said.

Also, he said, a constable is an elected official who is not accountable to the jurisdiction of the Caddo Parish Commission, nor to that of any other office or citizen, and that the Commission has no authority to instruct a constable to do anything. He said it is his belief that the "ward" which forms the basis for the ward courts, is no longer an identifiable geographical or political entity. Even so, he said, there are 12 wards listed in the government section of the telephone book, but apparently few people have any approximation of where the "boundaries" of those wards begin and end.

Mr. Couvillion said he would prefer to see the Parish adopt this ordinance and then to fund its enforcement internally. The inspectors within the enforcement section could perform several other tasks as well, he said. By doing so the Parish could get the problem of property blight under control; a few well-publicized enforced clean-ups would send a message to others in the Parish that the Commission is serious about enforcing property standards.

There being no other speakers in regard to Ordinance No. 4892, the President directed the Clerk to present the next ordinance for public hearing.

- Ordinance No. 4893 of 2009 to enact a film incentive policy for the Parish of Caddo

The President asked if there was anyone present to speak in support of or in opposition to this ordinance, and there was no one. She declared the public hearing to be concluded.

ZONING ORDINANCES: (For final passage)

ORDINANCE NO. 4888 OF 2009

BY THE CADDO PARISH COMMISSION:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 51 OF THE CODE OF

ORDINANCES OF THE PARISH OF CADDO, AS AMENDED, THE CADDO PARISH ZONING ORDINANCE, BY REZONING PROPERTY LOCATED ON THE EAST SIDE OF NORRIS FERRY ROAD AT 500 FEET SOUTH OF SOUTHERN LOOP, CADDO PARISH, LOUISIANA, **FROM R-A, RESIDENCE/AGRICULTURE DISTRICT, TO B-2, NEIGHBORHOOD DISTRICT** AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO

BE IT ORDAINED by the Caddo Parish Commission in due, legal and regular session convened, that Chapter 51 of the Code of Ordinances of the Parish of Caddo is hereby amended and re-enacted to read as follows, to wit:

The official Zoning Map of the Shreveport Metropolitan Planning Area of Caddo Parish, Louisiana, be amended by rezoning property legally described as: A tract of land located in the S/2 of Sect. 21, T16N, R13W, Caddo Parish, LA, said tract more fully described as: Beginning at the point of intersection of the south line of Sect. 21, with the east R/W line of Norris Ferry Road, proceed N0°50'27"E along said east R/W line 581.80 feet, thence run S89°12'54"E 1078.03 feet, thence run S25°34'59"E 440.61 feet, thence run S0°43'32"W 187.03 feet thence run N89°12'54"W 1,274.48 feet returning to the POB. Said tract containing 16.13 acres located on the east side of Norris Ferry Road at its intersection with Southern Loop, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, be and the same is hereby changed **from R-A, Residence/Agriculture District, to B-2, Neighborhood Business District.**

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the rezoning of the property described herein is subject to compliance with the following stipulations:

1. **Site development plan shall be submitted to and approved by the Planning Commission prior to the issuance of any permits.**
2. **Development of the property shall begin within a period of two (2) years from the date of the adoption of this ordinance and the failure to comply with such stipulation will cause the rezoning herein described to become null and void, and the zoning classification will automatically revert to R-A.**

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that if any provision or item of this ordinance or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items or applications which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, items or applications, and to this end, the provisions of this ordinance are hereby declared severable.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that this ordinance shall become effective ten (10) days after publication in the official journal.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that all ordinances or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

P-6-09
Bernard's Market & Eatery LLC

It was **moved by Mr. Thibodeaux**, seconded by Mr. Dominick, *that Ordinance No. 4888 of 2009, in regard to Zoning Case P-06-09, Bernard's Market & Eatery, LLC, applicant, requesting to rezone property located on the east side of Ellerbe Road, 500 feet south of Southern Loop from R-A to B-2 for proposed B-2 Development, be adopted. That motion carried*, as shown by the following roll call vote: AYES: Commissioners Baker, Cox, Dominick, Epperson, Jenkins, Linn, Lynch, McCulloch, Pierson, Smith and Thibodeaux (11). NAYS: None. ABSTAINING: None. ABSENT: Commissioner Escude (1).

ORDINANCE NO. 4889 OF 2009

BY THE CADDO PARISH COMMISSION:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 51 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE PARISH OF CADDO, AS AMENDED, THE CADDO PARISH ZONING ORDINANCE, BY REZONING PROPERTY LOCATED ON THE EAST SIDE OF PLEASANT HILL, 355 FEET SOUTH OF DUNN DRIVE, CADDO PARISH, LOUISIANA, **FROM R-1D, URBAN, ONE-FAMILY RESIDENCE DISTRICT, TO R-1D-E, URBAN, ONE-FAMILY RESIDENCE/EXTENDED USE DISTRICT LIMITED TO "OUTSIDE STORAGE OF METAL STUDS, VEHICLES, AND TRAILERS" ONLY**, AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO

BE IT ORDAINED by the Caddo Parish Commission in due, legal and regular session convened, that Chapter 51 of the Code of Ordinances of the Parish of Caddo is hereby amended and re-enacted to read as follows, to wit:

The official Zoning Map of the Shreveport Metropolitan Planning Area of Caddo Parish, Louisiana, be amended by rezoning property legally described as: Lots 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, and 11, Forbing Factory Subdivision, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, be and the same is hereby changed **from R-1D, Urban, One-Family Residence District, to R-1D-E, Urban, One-Family Residence/Extended Use District limited to "outside storage of metal studs, vehicles, and trailers" only.**

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the rezoning of the property described herein is

subject to compliance with the following stipulations:

1. **Approval is for a 3 year period only. Development of the property shall be in substantial accord with the site plan submitted with any significant changes or additions requiring further review and approval by the Planning Commission.**
2. **Development of the property shall begin within a period of two (2) years from the date of the adoption of this ordinance and the failure to comply with such stipulation will cause the rezoning herein described to become null and void, and the zoning classification will automatically revert to R-1D.**
3. **The lots shall be re-platted into one lot prior to the issuance of any permits.**

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that if any provision or item of this ordinance or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items or applications which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, items or applications, and to this end, the provisions of this ordinance are hereby declared severable.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that this ordinance shall become effective ten (10) days after publication in the official journal.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that all ordinances or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

P-7-09
David Pierce

It was **moved by Mr. Thibodeaux**, seconded by Mr. Pierson, *that Ordinance No. 4889 of 2009, in regard to Zoning Case P-07-09, David Pierce, applicant, requesting to rezone property located on the east side of Pleasant Hill Drive, 355 feet south of Dunn Drive from R-1D to R-1D-E for proposed outside storage of metal studs, vehicles and trailers only, be adopted.* That motion carried, as shown by the following roll call vote: AYES: Commissioners Baker, Cox, Dominick, Epperson, Jenkins, Linn, Lynch, McCulloch, Pierson, Smith and Thibodeaux (11). NAYS: None. ABSTAINING: None. ABSENT: Commissioner Escude (1).

ORDINANCE NO. 4890 OF 2009

BY THE CADDO PARISH COMMISSION:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 51 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE PARISH OF CADDO, AS AMENDED, THE CADDO PARISH ZONING ORDINANCE, BY REZONING PROPERTY LOCATED ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF WETS 70TH STREET, 675 FEET EAST OF DINKINS DRIVE, CADDO PARISH, LOUISIANA, **FROM R-A (SPI-2), RESIDENCE-AGRICULTURE (INDUSTRIAL PARK OVERLAY) DISTRICT TO I-1(SPI-2), LIGHT INDUSTRY (INDUSTRIAL PARK OVERLAY)** AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO

BE IT ORDAINED by the Caddo Parish Commission in due, legal and regular session convened, that Chapter 51 of the Code of Ordinances of the Parish of Caddo is hereby amended and re-enacted to read as follows, to wit:

The official Zoning Map of the Shreveport Metropolitan Planning Area of Caddo Parish, Louisiana, be amended by rezoning property located on the south side of West 70th Street, 675 feet east of Dinkins Drive, and legally described as: The west 203.22 feet of the east 1853.22 feet of all of that part of the NE/4 of Sect. 29, T17N, R15W, Caddo Parish, LA, lying north of the Missouri Pacific R/W containing 7.3 acres, M/L, as Tract No. 3, together with all buildings and improvements thereon. Less and except: the west 98.22 feet of the east 1853.22 feet of the north 130 feet of that part of the NE/4 of Sect. 29, T17N, R15W, lying north of the Missouri Pacific Railroad, less R/W, Caddo Parish, LA, containing 0.293 acres, M/L. And, less and except: the west 105 feet of the east 1755 feet of the north 504.74 feet of that part of the NE/4 of Sect. 29, T17N, R15W, lying north of the Missouri Pacific Railroad, less R/W of Sect. 29, T17N, R15W, Caddo Parish, LA, containing 1.27 acres, M/L. Remainder of said tract herein described contains 5.74 acres, M/L. The west 105 feet of the east 1755 feet of the north 504.74 feet of that part of the NE/4 of Sect. 29, T17N, R15W, lying north of the Missouri Pacific Railroad, less R/W of sect. 29, T17N, R15W, Caddo Parish, LA, containing 1.27 acres, M/L. is hereby changed **from R-A(SPI-2), Residence-Agriculture (Industrial Park Overlay) District to I-1(SPI-2), Light Industry (Industrial Park Overlay) District.**

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the rezoning of the property described herein is subject to compliance with the following stipulations:

1. **Approval for the existing residence is granted.**
2. **Development of the property shall be in substantial accord with the site plan submitted with any significant changes or additions requiring further review and approval by the Planning Commission.**

3. **Development of the property shall begin within a period of 2 years from the date of the adoption of this ordinance and the failure to comply with such stipulation will cause the rezoning herein described to become null and void, and the zoning classification will automatically revert to R-A (SPI-2).**
4. **The lots shall be re-platted into one lot prior to the issuance of any permits.**
5. **Waiver of solid wood screening fence requirement is granted until such time as the adjacent property is developed residentially.**

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that if any provision or item of this ordinance or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items or applications which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, items or applications, and to this end, the provisions of this ordinance are hereby declared severable.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that this ordinance shall become effective ten (10) days after publication in the official journal.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that all ordinances or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

P-8-09
Barcat, LLC

It was **moved by Mr. Epperson**, seconded by Mr. Pierson, *that Ordinance No. 4890 of 2009, in regard to Zoning Case P-08-09, Clyde and Catherine P. Barnes, applicants, requesting to rezone property located on the south side of West 70th Street, east of Dinkins Drive, from R-A, (SPI-2) to I-1(SPI-2) for a proposed contractor's office and equipment yard or other permitted uses, be adopted. That motion carried*, as shown by the following roll call vote: AYES: Commissioners Baker, Cox, Dominick, Epperson, Jenkins, Linn, Lynch, McCulloch, Pierson, Smith and Thibodeaux (11). NAYS: None. ABSTAINING: None. ABSENT: Commissioner Escude (1).

ORDINANCES: (For final passage)

It was **moved by Mr. Epperson**, seconded by Mr. Pierson, *that Ordinance No. 4892 of 2009, enacting Chapter 11 of the Code of Ordinances addressing code enforcement, be adopted.*

Mr. Epperson said he wished to thank the Code Enforcement Committee for the time it had devoted to the development of this ordinance, a process that began in 2007. He said he would not anyone to have a concern that this legislation was carelessly constructed. Also, he said, the constables and justices of the peace were involved throughout the construction of this ordinance. There remain some points to be worked out administratively, he said, but they can and will be done. There may also be requests made to the Commission for additional funds in the course of time.

He said that every Commissioner can cite instances in their districts of where they have repeatedly received complaints from constituents about neglected, unmaintained and unsightly properties that were not only an eyesore but also serve to drive down values of surrounding properties. In almost all cases Commissioners were legally unable to offer any assistance, he said.

Caddo Parish is in competition with surrounding parishes and counties for residents, and the Parish needs a stable and growing tax base, and for that reason should dispel any notion that residents can abuse and neglect their properties with no regard for others. The City already has code enforcement; it needs now to be applied in the Parish.

Mr. Jenkins said that he supports the ordinance, but after hearing Mr. Couvillion's remarks he too now has some questions and concerns. He said that during the formation of this ordinance he had never felt it was the Commission's intent to go into people's homes; he asked if that is now the intent of the ordinance.

Ms. Donna Frazier, Assistant Parish Attorney, replied that it was not the intent. The only time the constables would have the occasion would have occasion to contact anyone at their home would be to issue a citation relative to the outside condition of the home.

Mr. Jenkins suggested that residential premises perhaps be listed in the "exclusions" section of the ordinance. Ms. Frazier said she does not think that would be necessary; she would suggest that if a change is needed to make the ordinance clear, it should be to specify that constables can approach a home to locate the owner of the property which is in violator.

Mr. Jenkins pointed out that to go into anyone's house requires a warrant.

Mr. Pierson said that in all cases, any code violations will be external. There is no reason to enter a house to determine if a violation has been committed in the home itself.

Ms. Frazier pointed out that the ordinance states "...consent to entry in inspection....". In many cases there will be properties that have external code violations, but which are surrounded by a fence with a closed gate. In such instances the constables need to be able to just get onto the property to inspect in consideration of issuing a citation. That constitutes "entry", but not to a person's house.

Mr. Jenkins moved, seconded by Mrs. McCulloch, that Section 11, (2)-B be amended to include "...the interior of residential homes" among the list of locations to be excluded.

Mr. Thibodeaux offered an amendment, seconded by Mr. Linn, to delete Section 11, (3)-A. He said that if Mr. Jenkins' amendment is added, paragraph A is not needed. Everything is covered in B and C.

Ms. Frazier said that 3-A does include outbuilding outside the home.

Mr. Pierson pointed out that the purpose of this discussion is to clarify only that no enforcement officer can enter a person's home. That is the language everyone is attempting to work toward, he said.

Mr. Thibodeaux withdrew his motion.

Mr. Cox said that the provision regarding five-acre tracts of land should include some reference to road frontage. Just because a person has a five-acre tract should not mean that that person should be exempt from maintaining property standards if that property fronts on a public road.

In regard to 11-3-A, he said that he would move to amend the ordinance to include the wording "... constables and justices of the peace, with caution, may enter any building, structure or premises at reasonable times for the purpose of ascertaining whether a violation outside on the property of this section exists, and there be a reason to believe that such may be the case.", and that 11-2 be amended to add "...a setback of 150 feet on a five-acre tract". That first 150 feet of road frontage should be subject to the ordinance, he said.

Mr. Thibodeaux seconded.

Mr. Pierson said that he would remind the Commission that this ordinance is necessarily going to be a document in progress. All Commissioners are in agreement on what they want it to do and say in regard to entering a residence; they just want it to be worded correctly.

This ordinance has been driven by two things, he said. One is to encourage people to take up residence in the Parish by keeping the Parish clean and attractive. The second thing is that it is being driven by people who already live in the Parish and who are tired of other people in their neighborhoods cluttering their properties and devaluing all the properties in the vicinity. These people elect the members who serve on this Commission, he said.

Mr. Pierson said he would seriously doubt that any constable would be so lacking in judgment as to walk into someone's house to ascertain if a violation had been committed inside the house. That was not and is not the intent of the ordinance. He said he would suggest that the Commission adopt the ordinance, but go back to committee and tweak it until it says exactly what everyone agrees is intended. The Commission has been working on this for some three years, he said, and the citizens are ready for it to be enacted.

Mr. Jenkins said he supports the amendment on the floor, but he is trying to ascertain if the amendment overrides the amendment that suggests that Section 11-2-B include the specific language that would exclude the interior of a residential home.

At this time Mr. Cox's motion to amend carried, with Mr. Linn voting "No".

Mr. Epperson's motion to adopt Ordinance No. 4892, as amended, then carried, as shown by the following roll call vote: AYES: Commissioners Baker, Cox, Dominick, Epperson, Jenkins, Lynch, McCulloch, Pierson, Smith and Thibodeaux (10). NAYS: Commissioner Linn (1). ABSTAINING: None. ABSENT: Commissioner Escude (1).

The President ordered the enrollment of Ordinance No. 4892 of 2009, as amended, to wit:

ORDINANCE NO. 4892 OF 2009

BY THE CADDO PARISH COMMISSION:

AN ORDINANCE TO ENACT CHAPTER 11 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES ADDRESSING CODE ENFORCEMENT AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Parish Commission of Caddo Parish, Louisiana, in due, legal and regular session convened, that Article I, Chapter 11 of the Code of Ordinances is hereby enacted to read as follows:

Sec. 11-1. Policy and Definitions.

- (a) This article is intended to serve the public interest by providing methods of dealing with waste in the unincorporated areas of Caddo Parish that have become threats to the health, safety and welfare of the public.
- (b) It is not the intent of this article to dictate aesthetic preferences or community standards.
- (c) It is not intended that the provisions of this article be applied to sites containing hazardous materials, industrial waste, or other toxic substances or materials. Sites so identified shall be referred to the United States Environmental Protection Agency and the

Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) for further action.

- (d) Areas of compliance will include community subdivisions for residential housing and all building site as prescribes in the Parish's Subdivision Ordinance (25,000 sq. ft. areas).

Sec. 11-2. Violations.

- (a) The storing of or abandoning of junk, inoperable, or wrecked automobiles or motor vehicles, or any part or parts thereof; any other junk, discarded or abandoned major appliances, or other metal; tin or other discarded items; garbage cans more than 24 hours after garbage has been collected, on any lot, neutral ground, street or sidewalk, within the unincorporated area of the parish is prohibited.
- (b) Areas to be excluded from this section of the ordinance are: commercial property, farm land, recreational locations, five (5) acre tracts of land (excluding a 150 setback from a public right-of-way), ~~and~~ businesses, i.e. oil & gas or timber-, and the interior of residential homes.

Sec. 11-3. Inspection.

- (a) Constables and Justices of the Peace, may, with caution, enter any building, structure or premises, at reasonable times for the purpose of ascertaining whether a violation of this section outside on the property exists, when there is reason to believe that such may be the case.
- (b) When entering a building, structure or premises that is occupied, such official shall first identify himself, present proper credentials, and request entry. If the building, structure or premises is unoccupied, he shall first make a reasonable effort to locate the owner or other persons having control thereof and demand entry.
- (c) If the owner, agent, occupant or tenant of any building or structure fails to consent to entry and inspection, a representative of the parish may present an affidavit to a judge of First Judicial District Court stating that he believes, or has reason to believe, that by a search of the premises designated in the affidavit he will obtain evidence tending to reveal existence of violations of this article. Upon receipt of such affidavit, the judge, if he deems the affidavit to be sufficient, shall issue a warrant authorizing the parish representative to enter and search the premises described in the affidavit and designated in the warrant to obtain evidence tending to reveal the existence of violations of this article.

Sec. 11-4. Penalties.

Upon the first violation of this Chapter, a person shall receive a warning citation and be allowed fourteen (fourteen) days to abate the violation; if the violation is not abated by the fifteenth day after the warning citation is issued, that person shall be issued a citation to appear in the Justice Court having jurisdiction of the property upon which the violation sits and shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction, shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$100.00 (one-hundred dollars) nor more than \$500.00 (five-hundred dollars), or by imprisonment of not more than thirty (30) days, or by both such fine and imprisonment. Each day that the violation is not abated shall constitute a separate offense. In addition to the penalties contained in this section, the court may order that every defendant convicted after a trial or after pleading guilty, pay restitution to the Parish or its designated representative in an amount equal to the amount of expenses and charges incurred for removing and disposing of the junk, wrecked or used automobiles or motor vehicles, or any part or parts thereof, or any other junk, discarded or abandoned major appliances, or other metal, tin or other discarded items, on any lot, neutral ground, street or sidewalk. In no case shall the fines and the amount ordered as restitution exceed that which was actually spent for the removal and disposition. It shall not be a defense to prosecution under this section that the Parish performed the work necessary to correct the noted deficiencies and violations, or that the Parish caused such work to be performed.

Sec. 11-5. Appeal.

- (a) The owner or occupant, or the agent or other representative of the owner, may appeal the decision of the Justice of the Peace to the First Judicial District court by the filing of a petition therein, within five (5) days of service of the judgment of the Justice of the Peace, alleging reasons why the decision and order of the Justice of the Peace is illegal or improper. The issue shall be tried *de novo* and by preference in the District Court, and the order appealed from shall be suspended during the appeal; provided however that, where a public emergency has been declared by the property standards board, the owner of the building or structure who desires to suspend the order of the property standards board, and prevent the demolition or removal of such building or structure, must within forty-eight (48) hours of the issuance of the order of condemnation by the board, obtain a temporary restraining order enjoining such action, contingent upon the furnishing of such bond as may be fixed by the district judge to cover any damage that may be caused by the condition of the building.
- (b) Either party may appeal from the judgment of the district court as in other cases.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED if any provision or item of this ordinance or the application

thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items, or applications of this ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, items, or applications and to this end the provisions of this ordinance are hereby declared severable.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that this ordinance shall become effective ten (10) days after publication in the official journal.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that all ordinances or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

ORDINANCE NO. 4893 OF 2009

BY THE CADDO PARISH COMMISSION:

AN ORDINANCE TO ENACT A FILM INCENTIVE POLICY FOR THE PARISH OF CADDO

BE IT ORDAINED by the Parish Commission of Caddo Parish, Louisiana, in due, legal and regular session convened, that a film incentive policy for the Parish of Caddo is hereby enacted as follows.:

Policy and Definitions.

- (a) The Parish of Caddo offers economic incentives to the film industry in the form of rebates of sales taxes paid on lodging, lease, rental and other production expenditures made in the Parish of Caddo, including but not limited to sound stage or location leases and post production costs.
- (b) For the purposes of this ordinance, certain terms shall be defined as follows:
 - 1. "Film industry" shall mean film and television productions, television commercials and music videos.
 - 2. "Post production shall mean word required for creating the final product, including but not limited to editing, sound, audio, music, special effects and other related activities.
- (c) Incentives are subject to the production company entering into a contract with the Parish of Caddo relative to the incentive payments.

Restrictions and Requirements

- (a) Incentive Funding Caps
 - 1. Basic Cap-\$20,000.00 total to any individual project or production for new productions by a production company which has not previously received any Parish of Caddo incentives, or which has not done a production in Caddo Parish or municipalities lying therein within the last twelve months.
 - 2. Subsequent Productions-\$22,000.00 for a production company which brings a subsequent production to Caddo Parish within twelve months of completion of the prior project.
 - 3. The funding cap shall be increased by \$1200.00 for productions which utilize a post production company located within Caddo Parish or any of the municipalities lying therein.
- (b) Requirements for Rebate
 - 1. Production must either:
 - a. have its production office located within Caddo Parish or any municipality lying therein or;
 - b. Utilize a soundstage located within Caddo Parish
 - 2. Have acceptable expenditures of the type listed below, paid within the unincorporated limits of Caddo Parish amounting to at least \$75,000.00.
 - 3. To qualify for the enhanced subsequent production cap, the original and subsequent productions must meet the criteria listed in (b)(1) and (b)(2).
- (c) Productions meeting the above requirements will be eligible for incentive payments equal to the Parish of Caddo sales taxes paid on the following expenditures:
 - 1. Lodging for cast and crew incurred within the unincorporated areas of Caddo Parish;

2. Lease or rental expenses, including all lease or rental expenses for equipment, automobiles, sound stage, location or production offices paid for a site within the unincorporated areas of Caddo Parish;
 3. Other production and post production expenses, including purchases of materials and supplies, related to the production of the project and post production, provided such purchases or equipment deliveries are made within the unincorporated areas of Caddo Parish.
- (d) For purposes of this section, the term "Caddo Parish" means sales taxes levied by the Caddo Parish Commission, excluding the portion of the sales taxes dedicated by law or debt obligations to another purpose.

APPLICATION PROCESS

- (a) Within 60 days of completion of production efforts within Caddo Parish, applicant may apply for a rebate. The application should be obtained from and submitted to the Caddo Parish Department of Finance, and shall be accompanied by the following information:
- (1) Proof that the applicant's production office or soundstage is located within Caddo Parish;
 - (2) Receipts documenting acceptable expenditures of the above-listed types in the requisite amount and documenting the amount of Caddo Parish sales taxes paid upon those expenditures.
- (b) Eligibility determinations and disbursement of rebates shall be made by the Director of Finance within 30 days of receipt of a completed application along with all documentation required.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED if any provision or item of this ordinance or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items, or applications of this ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, items, or applications and to this end the provisions of this ordinance are hereby declared severable.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that all ordinances or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that this ordinance shall become effective ten (10) days after publication in the official journal.

It was **moved by Mrs. Baker**, seconded by Mr. Smith, *that Ordinance No. 4893 of 2009, enacting a film incentive policy for the Parish of Caddo, be adopted.* That motion carried, as shown by the following roll call vote: AYES: Commissioners Baker, Cox, Dominick, Epperson, Jenkins, Linn, Lynch, McCulloch, Pierson, Smith and Thibodeaux (11). NAYS: None. ABSTAINING: None. ABSENT: Commissioner Escude (1).

ORDINANCES: (For introduction, by title)

- Ordinance No. 4894 of 2009 to amend Article XI of Chapter 14 of the Code of Ordinances of the Parish of Caddo relative to Section 14-1006, Schedule F, No Parking Zones to include Hemperly Avenue and Shattalon Drive
- Ordinance No. 4895 of 2009 to rescind the subdivision of Lake Vista Subdivision in the Parish of Caddo
- Ordinance No. 4896 of 2009 adopting Chapter 29 of the Code of Ordinances of the Parish of Caddo to establish regulations pertaining to conducting oil, gas and other hydrocarbon well operations and operations related thereto
- Ordinance No. 4897 of 2009 amending the Budget of Estimated Revenues and Expenditures for the Riverboat Fund to provide matching funds for CCAA's 'Head Start and Early Head Start Expansion Grants', in the amount of \$25,000 for the year 2009

WORK SESSION MINUTES: JUNE 1, 2009

Mrs. McCulloch stated that she had distributed to each Commissioner copies of the Work Session Minutes of June 1, 2009, in which she had marked numerous references that were incorrectly stated in regard to matters relative to the North Shreveport Industrial Park. She said she had also provided Commissioners with several documents dating from 1984 forward that contain information relative to the development of this park and the provision for its governance.

She said her intent is to state and correct for the record the status and relationships of the entities composing the park's governing authority. She said that creation of the Park arose from a Joint Development Agreement made by the City of Shreveport and the Caddo Parish Police Jury on February 2, 1984, and filed with the Caddo Parish Clerk of Court in Conveyance Book 2098, Registry Number 982484. The agreement stated the intent of the two entities to acquire land for an industrial park north of Shreveport and to provide for its operation and management.

Mrs. McCulloch then cited the following memorandum written to her on December 21, 1999, by Mr. Robert Glass, Director of Public Works for Caddo Parish, who summarized the then-current status of the Park:

“Re: North Shreveport Industrial Park

The North Shreveport Industrial Park, Unit #1, was created by subdivision plat recorded July 25, 1985. The Park consists of 28 industrial lots containing approximately 110 acres. The Park is adjoined on the Southwest by the Kansas Highway (LA Hwy. #173), and on the East by Roy Road.

The undeveloped portion of the Park consists of just under 23 lots containing approximately 88 acres and is owned one-half interest each by the Caddo Parish Commission and the Industrial Development Board of the City of Shreveport. There are currently three private owners within the Park:

International Box Co. owns one and one-half lots. They make preprinted paperboard and paper liners. They have 38 employees.

Callaway Chemical Co. owns one and one-half lots. They make and sell chemicals used in paper mills. They have 18 employees.

Mary E. Chris and Mackby Partners own one undeveloped lot.

The North Shreveport Industrial Park is operated by the North Shreveport Industrial Park Supervisory Board consisting of two members selected by the Caddo Parish Commission; two by the Industrial Development Board of the City of Shreveport, and a fifth member selected jointly. The terms of the two Parish representatives, Patrick C. Williams and Edward Reid Brau, expire 1-25-2000. The terms of the other three representatives expired over four years ago.”

The makeup of the Supervisory Board was changed in 2001, Mrs. McCulloch said. She then presented copies of a Joint Operating Agreement filed in the Caddo Parish Clerk of Court records under recording number 1743872 on April 5, 2001. The agreement was executed by the Parish of Caddo, represented by then-Administrator W.T. Hanna, and The Industrial Development Board of the City of Shreveport, a non-profit corporation organized and existing pursuant to La. R.S. 51:1151 et seq.; Ordinance No. 150 of 1981 and Ordinance No. 83 of 1983.

The agreement reiterated the intent of the Parish and the IDB to jointly acquire the tracts of land that would become the North Shreveport Industrial Park and to appoint individuals to serve on a supervisory board for the Park. The Supervisory Board so established was vested the authority to operate and manage the Park, including the employment of such persons necessary to manage and maintain the Park, and to negotiate sales or leases of the lands within, as ratified by the Parish and the IDB.

The 2001 agreement specified that the Supervisory Board would still consist of five members, two appointed by the Parish and two by the IDB, but that the fifth member would be whatever person should be serving as President of the North Shreveport Development Corporation, a non-profit economic development agency formed in 2000. It was specified that all members would serve, without compensation, for two-year terms with the right to be re-appointed. The Supervisory Board was directed to meet as often as required to carry out its business.

The agreement further specified duties and responsibilities of the Supervisory Board, including criteria for businesses eligible for location in the Park, a right of first-refusal to the Board on lands being vacated by tenants, and the equal division of any funds that might accrue to the Park.

Mrs. McCulloch stated that since she has been a member of the Caddo Parish Commission she has consistently and persistently urged the Administration to pursue the acquisition of State funds to widen Hwy. 173 in Blanchard, to provide a truck-turnaround, and to effect other improvements in the Park. Without those improvements, she said, efforts to attract new industry to the Park will be severely hampered. However, she said, these requested funds always failed to make the State's priority list and no work has been done. The State now has taken the position that until I-49 is completed no such funds will be forthcoming.

Mrs. McCulloch then pointed out that this discussion of the North Shreveport Industrial Park has been precipitated by an effort to sell timber from the NSIP property. One tract of timber was harvested in 2007 by Advance Timber Services, but the proceeds are still being held in escrow because it was learned that the sale had never been approved by the NSIP Supervisory Board. That board had in fact not even been aware of the sale, because the Parish Administration incorrectly sought out the wrong party to approve the sale. Now, she said, Weyerhaeuser Corporation desires to harvest the remainder of the timber, but the issue of proper authorization must be resolved before that sale can be transacted.

The issue has been clouded because of continuing confusion about the makeup and status of the North Shreveport Industrial Park Supervisory Board, due to the number of participants in its being: the Caddo Parish Commission; the City of Shreveport through its Industrial Development Board, and the North Shreveport Development Corporation. She said she is not confused---that board consists of Mr. Jerry Thomas and Mr. Ricky Hall, appointed by the Caddo Parish Commission; Mr. James Pannell and Mr. Mike Belanger, appointed by the City, and Mr. Bruce Roberts, the current president of the North Shreveport Development Corporation.

As a result of this confusion, she said, when the timber sales at the Park were proposed,

the only person approached was Mr. Roberts. The other members of the NSIP Supervisory Board were not contacted. That board is still intact, she said, even though the members appointed by the City's Industrial Development Board may not have been reappointed in a timely manner—they serve until replaced. The Commission's appointees—Mr. Thomas and Mr. Hall—were reappointed in December of 2007, she said, as reflected in the Minutes of the Commission's December 6, 2007 meeting.

Mrs. McCulloch said that though she has been in contact with some of NSIP Supervisory Board's members, the Board has not yet called a meeting due to some issues surrounding litigation involving Mrs. Francene Miller, the former executive director of the North Shreveport Development Corporation.

Mrs. McCulloch then moved, seconded by Mr. Epperson, that the Work Session Minutes be amended to reflect the true names of the various boards and entities that were stated therein.

Mr. Thibodeaux pointed out it appears that the Minutes were not in error, they merely correctly recorded inaccuracies that were stated during the meeting. The amendments would correct the information that was presented, he said, but it is the purpose of minutes to reflect what was actually said. If the minutes were now changed to report what should have been said, they would no longer be minutes, he said.

Mr. Charles Grubb, Parish Attorney, agreed that the purpose of the minutes is to accurately reflect what was said or done, whether it was right or wrong.

Mr. Thibodeaux asked Mrs. McCulloch if she was in fact asking that what actually was said be changed. Mrs. McCulloch said that she was asking that the minutes be amended to reflect the changes that she had mentioned.

Mr. Thibodeaux asked if the changes she is requesting is what was actually said. Mrs. McCulloch said that she does not know; she only knows that the statements made were incorrect, making the record not factual.

Mr. Thibodeaux that he might support an addition to the minutes or some other device to set the record straight, but not to change the minutes themselves.

Mr. Grubb said that the minutes are supposed to memorialize permanently what a public body does at a given session. He said he is not sure what an attachment to the minutes would provide.

Mr. Grubb said that in regard to uncertainty as to whether members of the NSIP Supervisory Board have been timely reappointed, any incorrect statement he might have made during that Work Session meeting is a harmless error in view of the fact that those members continue to hold their seats until they are replaced by a more current action of the appointing authority.

Mr. Thibodeaux pointed that the inaccuracies and misstatements in the minutes cited by Mrs. McCulloch will be recorded in the minutes of this meeting. Mrs. McCulloch agreed, with the provision that the supplemental information she provided be included.

Mr. Epperson moved, seconded by Mr. Cox, *that the Minutes of the Work Session Meeting of June 1, 2009, be ratified.* Motion carried.

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION NO. 26 of 2009

BY THE CADDO PARISH COMMISSION:

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADVERTISING FOR BIDS FOR THE PURCHASE OF TEN MILLION DOLLARS (\$10,000,000) OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2009, OF CADDO PARISH, LOUISIANA, AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Caddo Parish Commission (the "Governing Authority"), acting as the governing authority of Caddo Parish, Louisiana (the "Parish") that:

SECTION 1. The President of the Caddo Parish Commission is hereby empowered, authorized and directed to advertise in accordance with the provisions of law for sealed paper or electronic bids via PARITY® for the purchase of Ten Million Dollars (\$10,000,000) of General Obligation Bonds, Series 2009 (the "Bonds") of Caddo Parish, Louisiana (the "Issuer"), being the third and final emission of bonds authorized at a special election held in the Issuer on May 5, 2007, for the purpose of making capital improvements, including acquiring all necessary land, equipment and furnishings therefor, title to which shall be in the public, under the authority conferred by Article VI, Section 33 of the Constitution of the State of Louisiana of 1974, Sub-Part A, Part III, Chapter 4, Title 39 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended, and other constitutional and statutory authority. The Bonds will be initially issued in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee for The Depository Trust Company ("DTC"), as registered owner of the Bonds, and held in the custody of DTC (unless the successful bidder elects at the time of the sale to require

bonds in other than book-entry only form). The Issuer and the Paying Agent acknowledge that they have executed and delivered a Letter of Representation with DTC and that the terms and provisions of said Letter of Representation shall govern in the event of any inconsistency between the provisions of this resolution and said Letter of Representation. A single certificate will be issued and delivered to DTC for each maturity of the Bonds. The Beneficial Owners will not receive physical delivery of Bond certificates except as provided herein. Beneficial Owners are expected to receive a written confirmation of their purchase providing details for the Bonds acquired. For so long as DTC shall continue to serve as securities depository for the Bonds as provided herein, all transfers of beneficial ownership interest will be made by book-entry only, and no investor or other party purchasing, selling or otherwise transferring beneficial ownership of Bonds is to receive, hold or deliver any Bond certificate.

For every transfer and exchange of the Bonds, the Beneficial Owner may be charged a sum sufficient to cover such Beneficial Owner's allocable share of any tax, fee or other governmental charge that may be imposed in relation thereto.

Bond certificates are required to be delivered to and registered in the name of the Beneficial Owner under the following circumstances:

- a. DTC determines to discontinue providing its service with respect to the Bonds. Such a determination may be made at any time by giving 30 days' notice to the Issuer and the Paying Agent and discharging its responsibilities with respect thereto under applicable law.
- b. The Issuer determines that continuation of the system of book-entry transfer through DTC (or a successor securities depository) is not in the best interests of the Beneficial Owners.

The Issuer and the Paying Agent will recognize DTC or its nominee as the Bondholder for all purposes, including notices and voting.

Neither the Issuer, nor the Paying Agent are responsible for the performance by DTC of any of its obligations, including, without limitation, the payment of moneys received by DTC, the forwarding of notices received by DTC or the giving of any consent or proxy in lieu of consent.

Whenever during the term of the Bonds the beneficial ownership thereof is determined by a book entry at DTC, the requirements of this resolution of holding, delivering or transferring the Bonds shall be deemed modified to require the appropriate person to meet the requirements of DTC as to registering or transferring the book entry to produce the same effect.

If at any time DTC ceases to hold the Bonds, all references herein to DTC shall be of no further force or effect.

The winning bidder (the "Purchaser") at the time of the sale, however, may elect to not receive book-entry only Bonds, in which case the Purchaser will receive one type written Bond per maturity, exchangeable in the manner provided in the resolution.

SECTION 2. The Bonds will be dated September 1, 2009, will be payable from unlimited ad valorem taxation, will be in the denomination of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) each, or any integral multiple thereof within a single maturity, and will bear interest from date thereof, or the most recent interest payment date to which interest has been paid or duly provided for, at a rate or rates not exceeding six per centum (6%) per annum on any Bond in any interest payment period, said interest to be payable on February 1, 2010, and semiannually thereafter on February 1 and August 1 of each year. The Bonds will be numbered R-1 upward and will mature serially on February 1 of each year as follows, to-wit:

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>PRINCIPAL AMOUNT</u>	<u>YEAR</u>	<u>PRINCIPAL AMOUNT</u>
2012	\$345,000	2021	\$555,000
2013	365,000	2022	580,000
2014	390,000	2023	610,000
2015	405,000	2024	640,000
2016	425,000	2025	675,000
2017	450,000	2026	710,000
2018	470,000	2027	745,000
2019	500,000	2028	785,000
2020	525,000	2029	825,000

SECTION 3. Those Bonds maturing February 1, 2020, and thereafter, will be callable for redemption by the Issuer in full or in part at any time on or after February 1, 2019, and if less than a full maturity, then by lot within such maturity, at the principal amount thereof and accrued interest to the date fixed for redemption. In the event a Bond is of a denomination larger than \$5,000, a portion of such Bond (\$5,000 or any multiple thereof) may be redeemed.

Bonds are not required to be redeemed in inverse order of maturity. Official notice of such call of any of the Bonds for redemption will be given by first class mail, postage prepaid, by notice deposited in the United States mails not less than thirty (30) days prior to the redemption date addressed to the registered owner of each bond to be redeemed at his address as shown on the registration books of the Paying Agent.

SECTION 4. The Bonds shall be sold in the manner required by law, and in accordance with the terms of this resolution, the official Notice of Bond Sale herein set forth, and the Official Statement referred to in Section 6 hereof. In advertising the Bonds for sale, the Caddo Parish Commission shall reserve the right to reject any and all bids received.

SECTION 5. The President of the Governing Authority is hereby further empowered, authorized and directed to issue a Notice of Bond Sale and cause the same to be published as required by law, which Notice of Bond Sale shall be in substantially the following form:

**OFFICIAL
NOTICE OF BOND SALE**

**\$10,000,000 OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2009
OF
CADDO PARISH, LOUISIANA**

**Sealed bids or electronic bids via PARITY®
will be received until 3:30 o'clock p.m., Central Time (Louisiana Time), on
Thursday, August 6, 2009**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Caddo Parish Commission, acting as the governing authority of Caddo Parish, Louisiana, will receive sealed bids or electronic bids **via PARITY®** at 505 Travis Street, Government Plaza Building, Government Chamber, Shreveport, Louisiana, **until three-thirty (3:30) o'clock p.m., Louisiana Time, Central Time, on Thursday, August 6, 2009**, (or such other date as may be determined by the President and advertised by Munifacts Disclosure Service) for the purchase of Ten Million Dollars (\$10,000,000) of General Obligation Bonds, Series 2009 (the "Bonds") of Caddo Parish, Louisiana (the "Issuer"), being the third and final emission of bonds authorized at a special election held in the Issuer on May 5, 2007, for the purpose of making capital improvements, including acquiring all necessary land, equipment and furnishings therefor, title to which shall be in the public, under the authority conferred by Article VI, Section 33 of the Constitution of the State of Louisiana of 1974, Sub-Part A, Part III, Chapter 4, Title 39 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended, and other constitutional and statutory authority.

Electronic bids will be received for the Bonds via PARITY®, in the manner described below, until 3:30 p.m., Louisiana time, on Thursday, August 6, 2009.

Bids may be submitted electronically via PARITY® pursuant to this Official Notice of Bond Sale until 3:30 p.m., Louisiana time, but no bid will be received after the time for receiving bids specified above. To the extent any instructions or directions set forth in PARITY® conflict with this Official Notice of Bond Sale, the terms of this Official Notice of Bond Sale shall control. For further information about PARITY®, potential bidders may contact PARITY® at (212) 849-5021.

Each prospective electronic bidder shall be solely responsible to register to bid via PARITY® as described above. Each qualified prospective electronic bidder shall be solely responsible to make necessary arrangements to access PARITY® for the purposes of submitting its bid in a timely manner and in compliance with the requirements of the Notice of Sale. Neither the Issuer nor PARITY®, shall have any duty or obligation to provide or assure access to PARITY® to any prospective bidder, and neither the Issuer nor PARITY® shall be responsible for a bidder's failure to register to bid or for proper operation of, or have any liability for any delays or interruptions of, or any damages caused by, PARITY®. The Issuer is using PARITY® as a communication mechanism, and not as the Issuer's agent, to conduct the electronic bidding for the Bonds. No other form of electronic bid or provider of electronic bidding services will be accepted. The Issuer is not bound by any advice and determination of PARITY® to the effect that any particular bid complies with the terms of this Official Notice of Bond Sale and in particular the "Bid Requirements" hereinafter set forth. All costs and expenses incurred by prospective bidders in connection with their registration and submission of bids via PARITY® are the sole responsibility of the bidders; and the Issuer is not responsible, directly or indirectly, for any of such costs or expenses. If a prospective bidder encounters any difficulty in submitting, modifying or withdrawing a bid for the Bonds, he should telephone PARITY® at (212) 849-5021 and notify the Issuer's Bond Counsel, Foley & Judell, L.L.P. at (504) 568-1249.

Electronic bids must be submitted for the purchase of the Bonds via PARITY®. Bids will be communicated electronically to the Issuer at 3:30 p.m., local Louisiana time, on August 6, 2009. Prior to that time, a prospective bidder may (1) submit the proposed terms of its bid via PARITY®, (2) modify the proposed terms of its bid, in which event the proposed terms as last modified will (unless the bid is withdrawn as described herein) constitute its bid for the Bonds, or (3) withdraw its proposed bid. Once the bids are communicated electronically via PARITY® to the Issuer, each bid will constitute an irrevocable offer to purchase the Bonds on the terms therein provided. For purposes of the electronic bidding process, the time as maintained on PARITY® shall constitute the official time.

Bids will also be accepted in written form on the Official Bid Form. The Issuer will receive sealed bids at 505 Travis Street, Government Plaza Building, Government Chamber, Shreveport, Louisiana, for the purchase of \$10,000,000 of principal amount of General Obligation Bonds, Series 2009 of Caddo Parish, Louisiana. Each bid must be in written form on the Official Bid Form in a sealed

envelope marked "Proposal for the Purchase of General Obligation Bonds, Series 2009 of Caddo Parish, Louisiana". For purposes of accepting written bids, the time as maintained on PARITY® shall constitute the official time.

The Bonds will be dated September 1, 2009, will be payable from unlimited ad valorem taxation, and will be in the denomination of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) each, or any integral multiple thereof within a single maturity. The Bonds will bear interest from date thereof or the most recent interest payment date to which interest has been paid or duly provided for, at a rate or rates not exceeding six per centum (6%) per annum on any Bond in any interest payment period, said interest to be payable on February 1, 2010, and semiannually thereafter on February 1 and August 1 of each year. The Bonds will mature serially on February 1 of each year as follows, to-wit:

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The Bonds will be issued as fully registered bonds in "book-entry only" form and registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee of The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York ("DTC"). DTC will act as securities depository for the bonds, and purchasers of the Bonds will not receive certificates representing their interest in the Bonds purchased.

Those Bonds maturing February 1, 2020, and thereafter, will be callable for redemption by the Issuer in full or in part at any time on or after February 1, 2019, and if less than a full maturity, then by lot within such maturity, at the principal amount thereof and accrued interest to the date fixed for redemption. In the event a Bond is of a denomination larger than \$5,000, a portion of such Bond (\$5,000 or any multiple thereof) may be redeemed. Bonds are not required to be redeemed in inverse order of maturity. Official notice of such call of any of the Bonds for redemption will be given by first class mail, postage prepaid, by notice deposited in the United States mails not less than thirty (30) days prior to the redemption date addressed to the registered owner of each bond to be redeemed at his address as shown on the registration books of the Paying Agent.

The principal of the Bonds, upon maturity or redemption, will be payable at the principal corporate trust office of the Paying Agent upon presentation and surrender thereof, and interest on the Bonds will be payable by the Paying Agent by check mailed by the Paying Agent to the registered owner (determined as of the 15th calendar day of the month next preceding said interest payment date) at the address as shown on the books of said Paying Agent. Said Paying Agent will be a qualified bank or trust company selected by the Issuer.

Except as provided under DTC's book-entry only system, the Bonds may be transferred, registered and assigned only on the registration books of the Paying Agent, and such registration shall be at the expense of the Issuer. A Bond may be assigned by the execution of an assignment form on the Bonds or by other instruments of transfer and assignment acceptable to the Paying Agent. A new Bond or Bonds will be delivered by the Paying Agent to the last assignee (the new registered owner) in exchange for such transferred and assigned Bonds after receipt of the Bonds to be transferred in proper form. Such new Bond or Bonds must be in the denomination of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof within a single maturity. Neither the Issuer nor the Paying Agent shall be required to issue, register, transfer or exchange (i) any Bond during a period beginning at the opening of business on the 15th day of the month next preceding an interest payment date and ending at the close of business on the interest payment date, or (ii) any Bond called for redemption prior to maturity during a period beginning at the opening of business fifteen (15) days before the date of the mailing of a notice of redemption of such Bonds and ending on the date of such redemption.

In connection with the sale of the Bonds, a good faith deposit of 1% of the principal amount of the Bonds will be required. *The manner and timing of such deposit shall be set forth in the Preliminary Official Statement for the Bonds.* The good faith deposit of the successful bidder or bidders will be deposited and the proceeds credited against the purchase price of the Bonds, or in the case of neglect or refusal to comply with such bid, will be forfeited to the Issuer as and for liquidated damages. No interest will be allowed on the amount of the good faith deposit.

Bidders shall name the rate or rates of interest the Bonds shall bear, not exceeding six per centum (6%) per annum on any Bond in any interest payment period. Bids must stipulate a purchase price for the Bonds of the par value thereof and accrued interest from the date of the Bonds to the date of delivery of the Bonds. No bid which specifies cancellation of the Bonds will be considered. No bids providing for additional or supplemental interest will be considered.

The Governing Authority will meet at the place and time hereinabove set forth for the receipt of bids. The Bonds will be awarded to the bidder whose bid offers the lowest "true interest cost" to the Issuer for the full authorized amount of the Bonds, to be determined by doubling the semiannual interest rate (compounded semiannually) necessary to discount the debt service payments on the Bonds from the payment dates to September 1, 2009, such that the sum of such present values is equal to the price bid, including any premium bid but not including interest accrued to the date of delivery (the

preceding calculation is sometimes referred to as the "Canadian Interest Cost Method" or "Present Value Method"). In the case of a tie bid, the winning bid will be awarded by lot. If any bid for the Bonds shall be acceptable, a prompt award of the bonds will be made. The right is expressly reserved to waive any irregularity in any bid or to reject any and all bids received.

The Official Statement containing pertinent information relative to the authorization, sale and security of the Bonds is being prepared and may be obtained upon its completion from the Issuer's Bond Counsel, Foley & Judell, L.L.P., One Canal Place, Suite 2600, 365 Canal Street, New Orleans, Louisiana 70130. The Purchaser will be furnished a reasonable number of final official statements on or before the seventh business day following the sale of the Bonds.

The approving legal opinion of Foley & Judell, L.L.P., Bond Counsel, who have supervised the proceedings, the Bonds and the transcripts of record as passed upon will be furnished to the successful bidders without cost to them. Said transcripts will contain the usual closing proofs, including a certificate that up to the time of delivery no litigation has been filed questioning the validity of the Bonds or the taxes necessary to pay the same.

It is anticipated that the American Bankers' Association Committee on Uniform Security Identification Procedures (CUSIP) identification numbers will be printed on the Bonds, but the failure to print such numbers shall not constitute cause for refusal by the successful bidder to accept delivery of and to pay for the Bonds. No CUSIP identification number shall be deemed to be part of any Bond or a part of the contract evidenced thereby, and no liability shall hereafter attach to the Issuer or any of the officers or agents thereof because of or on account of such numbers. All expenses in relation to the printing of the CUSIP identification numbers on the Bonds shall be paid by the Issuer. However, the CUSIP Service Bureau charge for the assignment of such numbers shall be the responsibility of and shall be paid by the successful bidder.

In order to assist bidders in complying with S.E.C. Rule 15c2-12(b)(5), the Governing Authority will undertake, pursuant to the resolution providing for the issuance of the Bonds and a Continuing Disclosure Certificate, to provide annual reports and notices of certain events. A description of this undertaking is set forth in the Preliminary Official Statement and will also be set forth in the Final Official Statement.

For information relative to the Bonds and not contained in the Notice of Bond Sale and Official Statement, address Ms. Erica Bryant, Director of Finance, Caddo Parish, 505 Travis Street, Shreveport, Louisiana 71101 or Foley & Judell, L.L.P., One Canal Place, Suite 2600, 365 Canal Street, New Orleans, Louisiana 70130, Bond Counsel.

THUS DONE AND SIGNED at Shreveport, Louisiana, on this, the 18th day of June, 2009.

President

Attest:

Clerk

- SECTION 6. This Governing Authority will meet in open and public session at the time and place set out in the Notice of Bond Sale incorporated herein (or such other date as may be determined by the President of the Governing Authority and advertised by Munifacts Disclosure Service), for the purpose of receiving bids for the Bonds, considering and taking action upon the bids, and taking any other action required by this resolution, or necessary to effectuate the issuance, sale and delivery of the Bonds. If any award of the Bonds shall be made, such award shall be made for not less than par and accrued interest to the best bidder for the Bonds, such award and best bidder to be determined in accordance with the aforesaid Notice of Bond Sale.
- SECTION 7. There shall be prepared an Official Bid Form for the submission of bids and an Official Statement which shall contain complete bidding details, security features and other pertinent information relative to the sale and issuance of the Bonds as may be deemed necessary, advisable or desirable, which Official Bid Form and Official Statement shall be distributed to all prospective bidders and other interested parties.
- SECTION 8. In order to assist bidders in complying with S.E.C. Rule 15c2-12(b)(5), the Governing Authority will undertake, pursuant to the resolution providing for the issuance of the Bonds and a Continuing Disclosure Certificate, to provide annual reports and notices of certain events. A description of this undertaking will be set forth in the Preliminary Official Statement and the Final Official Statement.
- SECTION 9. Prior to the delivery of the Bonds, the Issuer anticipates that it may pay a portion of the costs of the project from the General Fund. A portion of the project includes specifically making capital improvements, including acquiring all necessary land, equipment and furnishings therefor, title to which shall be in the public. Upon the issuance of the Bonds, the Issuer reasonably expects to reimburse any such expenditures of other available funds from a portion of the proceeds of the Bonds. Any such allocation of proceeds of the Bonds for reimbursement will be with respect to capital expenditures (as defined in

Reg. 1.150-1(b)) and will be made upon the delivery of the Bonds and not later than one year after the later of (i) the date such expenditure was paid or (ii) the date on which the project was placed in service. This Section is intended to be a declaration of official intent within the meaning of Reg. 1.150-2.

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

<u>Member</u>	<u>Yea</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Absent</u>	<u>Abstaining</u>
Jim Smith	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Carl A. Pierson, Sr.	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Matthew Linn	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Michael Thibodeaux	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Sam Jenkins	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Lindora Baker	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Kenneth Epperson	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
David Cox	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
John Escude'	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>
Stephanie Lynch	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Rose Wilson-McCulloch	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Douglas C. Dominick	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

And the resolution was declared adopted on this, the 18th day of June, 2009.

Clerk

President

It was **moved by Mr. Pierson**, seconded by Ms. Lynch, *that Resolution No. 26 of 2009, authorizing the advertising for bids for the purchase of Ten Million Dollars of General Obligation Bonds, Series 2009, of Caddo Parish, be adopted.* That motion carried, as shown by the following roll call vote: AYES: Commissioners Baker, Cox, Dominick, Epperson, Jenkins, Linn, Lynch, McCulloch, Pierson, Smith and Thibodeaux (11). NAYS: None. ABSTAINING: None. ABSENT: Commissioner Escude (1).

RESOLUTION NO. 27 OF 2009

BY THE CADDO PARISH COMMISSION:

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE ISSUANCE OF \$121,000 OF SEWER REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2009, OF CADDO PARISH SEWERAGE DISTRICT NUMBER EIGHT.

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of Caddo Parish Sewerage District Number Eight (the "District"), adopted a resolution on May 26, 2009 authorizing the issuance of One Hundred Twenty-One Thousand Dollars (\$121,000) of Sewer Revenue Bonds, Series 2009, and providing for other matters in connection therewith; and

WHEREAS, in compliance with the terms and provisions of Article VI, Section 15 of the Constitution of the State of Louisiana of 1974, it is now the desire of this Caddo Parish Commission to approve said borrowing;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Caddo Parish Commission, acting as the governing authority of the Parish of Caddo, State of Louisiana, that:

SECTION 1. In compliance with the provisions of Article VI, Section 15 of the Constitution of the State of Louisiana of 1974, and in accordance with the request of the Board of Supervisors of Caddo Parish Sewerage District Number Eight (the A District MBOL 64 \f "WP Typographic Symbols" \s 12), this Caddo Parish Commission hereby approves the issuance of One Hundred Twenty-One Thousand Dollars (\$121,000) of Sewer Revenue Bonds, Series 2009, to construct and acquire improvements, extensions and renovations to the sewerage system of the District, including appurtenant equipment, accessories and properties, both personal and real, a work of public improvement for the Issuer. Neither Caddo Parish nor this Parish Commission shall in any way be liable for the payment of principal and/or interest on the Bonds.

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

<u>Members:</u>	<u>Yeas:</u>	<u>Nays:</u>	<u>Absent</u>	<u>Abstaining</u>
Douglas Dominick	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Rose Wilson McCulloch	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Carl A. Pierson, Sr.	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Matthew Linn	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Sam Jenkins	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Lindora Baker	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Stephanie Lynch	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
John Escude	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>
Michael Thibodeaux	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
David Cox	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

Jim Smith	X	_____	_____	_____
Kenneth Epperson	X	_____	_____	_____

And the resolution was declared adopted on this, the 18th day of June, 2009.

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Clerk	President

It was **moved by Mr. Smith**, seconded by Mr. Dominick, *that Resolution No. 27 of 2009, approving the issuance of \$121,000 of Sewer Revenue Bonds, Series 2009 of Caddo Parish Sewerage District Number Eight, be adopted. That motion carried*, as shown by the following roll call vote: AYES: Commissioners Baker, Cox, Dominick, Epperson, Jenkins, Linn, Lynch, McCulloch, Pierson, Smith and Thibodeaux (11). NAYS: None. ABSTAINING: None. ABSENT: Commissioner Escude (1).

RESOLUTION NO. 28 OF 2009

BY THE CADDO PARISH COMMISSION:

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE CADDO PARISH ADMINISTRATOR TO REQUEST THE LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES, OFFICE OF THE STATE MINERAL BOARD, TO ADVERTISE, LEASE AND EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT TO LEASE CERTAIN MINERAL INTERESTS OWNED BY THE PARISH OF CADDO, AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO

WHEREAS, the Parish of Caddo may own certain mineral rights underlying the following described property, to-wit:

Certain tracts of land and tracts of adjudicated property owned by the Caddo Parish Commission, and all that portion of the dedicated highways, roads, streets, alleys and rights-of-way located in Township 18 North, Range 16 West, Section 1, containing 14.81 acres, the total of roads being 14.81 acres, more or less. Also those certain tracts of adjudicated property more specifically described as the East 20 feet of Lot 4, West Blanchard Acres Subdivision of Section 1, T18N, R16W and containing 0.11 acres, more or less, Geo.#181601002002700, a tract of land being described as Lot 13, West Blanchard Acres Subdivision of Section 1, T18N, R16W and containing 1.61 acres, Goe#181601003001300 total of adjudicated property being 1.72 acres, more or less, all the above described property being located in Caddo Parish, Louisiana and containing a total of 16.53 acres, more or less.

WHEREAS, the Parish of Caddo has received a written request from Exco Production Company, LP., that the Parish seek public bids for an oil, gas and mineral lease covering said property; and

WHEREAS, the Parish of Caddo does not have the knowledge or resources available to determine if it owns the mineral rights and the Parish of Caddo will rely on the expertise and experience of the lessee in determining ownership; and

WHEREAS, it is expressly agreed that any lease granted by the Parish of Caddo and accepted by lessee is without any warranty of title and without any recourse against the Parish of Caddo whatsoever, either express or implied, and it is expressly agreed that the Parish of Caddo shall not be required to return any payments received or be otherwise responsible to lessee therefore; and

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Department of Natural Resources, State Mineral Board, is available upon the request of Caddo Parish to lease the aforesaid property for oil, gas and other minerals if requested to do so by Caddo Parish.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Caddo Parish Commission in due, regular and legal session convened, that the Louisiana Department of Natural Resources, State Mineral Board, be and it is hereby requested and authorized to seek public bids for an oil, gas and mineral lease covering the property described hereinabove.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any such lease contain a no surface operations provision as follows: Lessee, its successors or assigns, may produce oil, gas and other minerals from the leased premises by drilling from a surface location on other lands, but notwithstanding any other provision of this lease, Lessee, its successors or assigns, shall not use the surface of the Lessor's property for drilling or any other operations without prior written permission of Lessor, which permission may be withheld at Lessor's discretion.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any such lease contain a horizontal pugh provision as follows: Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein contained, at the end of the primary term or any extension thereof by operations, if the Commission of Conservation of the State of Louisiana establishes a drilling unit which includes a part of the land herein leased, the production of oil, gas and other minerals from such unit shall maintain this lease in full force and effect only as to such portions of the leased land embraced in said pooled unit; and this lease shall expire as to that part of the land herein leased not included in such unit; and lessee, its successors and assigns agrees to relinquish by formal instrument any portion of the leased land not included in a unit created by the Commission of Conservation while this lease is in effect.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any such lease contain a vertical pugh provision as follows: Upon the expiration of the primary term hereof or any extension thereof by operations, this lease shall automatically terminate and be of no further force or effect except as to all that part of the leased premises then included within the geographical boundaries of a producing unit duly established by governmental agency or authority having jurisdiction, from the surface of the earth to a depth of 100 feet below the deepest depth from which any well commenced during the primary term hereof on the leased premises or on lands pooled therewith is completed and from which there is production in paying quantities, such depth determination to be made on a unit by unit basis. In the absence of units so established, this lease shall terminate except as to 40 acres around each producing oil well and 160 acres around each producing or shut-in gas well located on the leased premises, in as near the form of a square as is practicable, from the surface of the earth down to a depth of 100 feet below the deepest depth from which said well or wells are completed and from which there is production in paying quantities, such depth determination to be made on a well by well basis.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any such lease contain a minimum royalty provision as follows: Royalty of not less than 1/4th or 25%.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any such lease contain a minimum bonus provision as follows: Bonus of not less than \$1,500.00 per acre.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any such lease contain a royalty payment back to date of first production provision as follows: Lessee hereby agrees that all production royalties due and payable under this Oil, Gas and Mineral Lease shall be due and payable and calculated from the date that the production of oil, gas and other hydrocarbons first occurs from any unit, whether voluntary or established by the Commissioner of Conservation, in which all or any part of the property herein described is included, even if said production occurs prior to the effective date of this lease.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any such lease contain a hard or solid mineral exclusion provision as follows: This lease shall exclude free sulphur, potash, lignite, salt and any other hard or solid mineral. Lessee shall not have any rights to explore, drill for, mine, produce or take any action whatsoever in regard to any such hard or solid mineral deposits.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any such lease contain a maximum term provision as follows: Primary term of lease shall not exceed three (3) years.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED if any provision or item of this resolution or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items or applications 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 this resolution shall take effect immediately.

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

It was **moved by Mr. Dominick**, seconded by Mr. Epperson, *that Resolution No. 28 of 2009, authorizing the Caddo Parish Administrator to request the Louisiana Department of Natural Resources, Office of the State Mineral Board, to advertise, lease and execute the agreement to lease certain mineral interests owned by the Parish of Caddo, as requested by Exco Production Company, LP, be adopted. That motion carried*, as shown by the following roll call vote: AYES: Commissioners Baker, Cox, Dominick, Epperson, Jenkins, Linn, Lynch, McCulloch, Pierson, Smith and Thibodeaux (11). NAYS: None. ABSTAINING: None. ABSENT: Commissioner Escude (1).

RESOLUTION NO. 29 OF 2009

BY THE CADDO PARISH COMMISSION:

A RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT CADDO PARISH'S APPLICATION IN CONJUNCTION WITH CCAA FOR A HEAD START AND EARLY HEAD START EXPANSION GRANT, AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO

WHEREAS, the Caddo Community Action Agency (CCAA), as the agency designated to administer the Head Start program on behalf of Caddo Parish, will submit applications to the U. S. Department of Health and Human Service, Office of Head Start, for a Head Start expansion grant and a Early Head Start expansion grant to provide the recurring and one-time funds needed to expand both the Head Start and Early Head Start programs; and

WHEREAS, there are approximately 2,760 children in Caddo Parish who are not being served by the Head Start and Early Head Start programs and hundreds of these children are currently on the CCAA waiting list; and

WHEREAS, the expansion grants would allow the Head Start program, which serves

children ages three to five years old, to expand by an additional eighty to one hundred (80-100) children and the Early Head Start program, which serves children ages zero to three years old, to expand by an additional twenty-four (24) children; and

WHEREAS, both of the expansion grants have a matching requirement; and

WHEREAS, the Caddo Parish Commission will provide a \$25,000, one-time match if the grant applications are approved by the Office of Head Start; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Caddo Parish Commission in due, regular and legal session convened, that the Caddo Parish Commission does hereby support the Parish of Caddo's application through CCAA for a Head Start expansion grant and an Early Head Start expansion grant from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Service.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if any provision or item of this resolution or this application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items or applications 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 this resolution shall take effect immediately.

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

It was **moved by Mr. Pierson**, seconded by Mr. Jenkins, *that Resolution No. 29 of 2009, supporting Caddo Parish's application in conjunction with Caddo Community Action Agency for a 'Head Start and Early Head Start Expansion Grant', be adopted.* That motion carried, as shown by the following roll call vote: AYES: Commissioners Baker, Cox, Dominick, Epperson, Jenkins, Linn, Lynch, McCulloch, Pierson, Smith and Thibodeaux (11). NAYS: None. ABSTAINING: None. ABSENT: Commissioner Escude (1).

NEW BUSINESS

It was **moved by Mr. Dominick**, seconded by Mr. Cox, *that Mr. Dan Logan, Jr., be appointed to the Board of Twin Valley Conservation District.* Motion carried.

At this time Mr. Smith stated that while he is still opposed to the Commission moving forward its proposed ordinance to regulate oil and gas drilling in Caddo Parish, he will bow to the wishes of the majority of the body. He said that as soon as Louisiana Commissioner of Conservation James Welsh issues his ruling on State regulations he will call a meeting of the Natural Resources Committee. He said he wants to enact the ordinance as soon as possible, in response to the wishes and concerns of constituents, but that he wants to do it correctly.

Mr. Cox reported that in east Texas a 10-year-old boy lost his life because he entered a yard that contained two pit bull dogs that the youth had played with on numerous occasions. The boy entered the yard alone and was mauled to death. He said he wished to remind parents that in summertime kids are outside and for longer periods, so they should always be aware of their surroundings and of what dogs inhabit the neighborhood.

There being no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 5:05 p.m.

/s/

Stephanie Lynch
President

/s/

Jerry C. Spears
Commission Clerk