



Real Estate Transactions

All real estate transactions involving either the acquisition, disposal or leasing of parish property are to be approved by the Bishop. As the legal owner of record, the Bishop is required to sign the Deed in the event that a parish property is to be sold. His signature may also be required on other property documents, e.g., those granting easements or right-of-ways. The parish is expected to retain its own attorney for legal services as may be required in the processing of real estate transactions.

The process of purchasing real estate by the parish must include steps to evaluate the land in regards to its status as protected wetlands, toxic waste, Indian burial grounds, etc. The parish should complete a feasibility study which addresses these issues in addition to parish needs, intended use and financing.