

**Recreation District #1 Board of Commissioners
February board meeting
Castine Center Conference Rooms
Wednesday February 22, 2017
6:30pm**

Board present: Rick Danielson
Nixon Adams
Jeff Blackman
Bill Matthews
Todd Richard

Board absent: Majure Savell
Daniel Seiden
Board member Emeritus: Tony Oramous

Staff present: Kathy Foley – Director

Visitors - Charles Tracey of Northshore Sportsplex

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Adams at 6:30pm.

Roll call taken- 5 members present with two absent

Visitors/public- Charles Tracey

Staff present: Kathy Foley-Director

Minutes: (attachment)

Chairman Adams asked if the board had read the January minutes and if anyone had questions. Motion by B. Matthews to approve the minutes as written. Second by R. Danielson. Vote 5-0 in favor. Motion passes.

Financials (attachments)

January Tax Revenue Report- Kathy reported that almost 94% of budgeted tax revenue has been received to date. Discussion

January monthly reports-Kathy reported expenses were in line with budget.

Report requesting transfer of funds to correct situation-Kathy outline that there was \$92.54 of interest that had not be accounted for when the board made the transfers last month. Discussion. Motion by T. Richard to approve option #1 which is to transfer \$92.54 from FCP Operating checking account Land Acquisition/buildings to FCP Capital Replacement. Second by J. Blackman. Vote 5-0 in favor. Motion passes

Report on Debt Service- Kathy and Nixon recapped with the board the recent payments made and the balances. Discussion. Board has \$8.1million dollars in liabilities/debt.

Review of bank statements and accounts by Chairman- Nixon stated he had reviewed bank balances and found no issues.

Review of Credit Card documents by Vice-Chairman. Bill stated he had reviewed and found no issues other than one staff had accidentally used the card for personal item and immediately paid the District. Bill and Kathy reported that member has been written up and it is being handled according to our procedures. Discussion.

Motion by T. Richard to accept the financials as presented. Second by B. Matthews. Vote 5-0 in favor. Motion passes.

Recap of Strategic Planning Committee- Rick recapped the recent strategic planning meeting held and the presentations on wetlands.

RIB-exception to Castine Center Cancellation procedure for Fontainebleau High Prom. (attachment)Kathy recapped report. Motion by R. Danielson to waive the deposit procedure for FH Prom this one time. Second by J. Blackman. Discussion. Vote 5-0 in favor. Motion passes.

RIB-exception to Castine Center rescheduling procedure-St. Tammany Humane Society event. (attachment) Kathy recapped report. Motion by J. Blackman to waive the rescheduling procedure and allow event to move dates without cost. Second by R. Danielson. Discussion. Vote 5-0 in favor. Motion passes.

Outline of property insurance renewal process (attachment) Kathy recapped with the board the process the staff and our insurance agent will be doing over the next two months for the insurance renewals. She reported that every 3 years we have an appraiser value our buildings prior

to renewal to ensure they are valued correctly and this is the year for the appraiser. At the March meeting, board will appoint representative from the board to review quotes and select insurance for the District.

Overview of Green Triplex lighting project.

Kathy showed a short slide show of the work on the green complex lighting project. Lights are now up and working. Final touches to the grounds will be done in the next weeks. The lights look great.

Update on concession sales tax possible exception by the Parish.

Kathy reported that all efforts on this had been exhausted. Parish legal is not comfortable with different wording and counsel not comfortable with present wording. Kathy stated she will write a letter to Reid asking to change State law to include Recreation Districts in statute that exempts non-profits from collecting sales tax.

Division reports

Nixon and Kathy recapped the division reports. Discussion.

Old Business

Kathy updated the board on Parish land issue, State Parks, Lighting District Gold field rental, wi-fi consultant and utilities for phase 6. Board asked that once the consultant is hired that staff have them meet with a committee of the board.

New Business

Charles Tracey with Northshore sportsplex addressed the board. He owns a private basketball training facility. He would like to make a proposal to take over our youth basketball program. Discussion. He would like it operated similar to MSC. Discussion. Board said they would review anything presented, but he would have to make the proposal to staff and then to youth sports committee. Program would have to mirror our present program which focuses on recreation level, blind drafts, minimum play time, fun etc.. (7:20 T. Richard had to leave meeting) Discussion. Kathy stated this was the second person who has contacted the District about similar ideas. Staff will prepare outline of what we do and exempt status and send to all interested for them to make a proposal if they desire.

Kathy asked the Board to consider co-sponsoring Senior Olympic program for 2017. Discussion. This will allow them to use our facility for pickleball without cost. Motion by R. Danielson to co-sponsor Senior Olympics pickleball. Second by J. Blackman. Vote 4-0 in favor. Motion passes.

With no further business, a motion was made by J. Blackman to adjourn the meeting at 7:40pm. Second by R. Danielson. Vote 4-0 in favor. Motion passes.