

Ponchatoula Area Recreation District No. 1
19030 Ponchatoula Park Dr.
Ponchatoula, LA 70454
Regular Board Meeting Minutes
Thursday, August 19, 2021
6:00 p.m.

I. Call to Order: Greg Fletcher, Chairman

The regular meeting was called to order by Greg Fletcher, at 6:06 p.m.

Roll Call: *Greg Fletcher (P), Terry Byers (P), Marshall Graves (P), Roger Kennedy (P), Patricia Landaiche (A)*

Visitors : *Jacob Stevens, Shannon Aycock, Raymond Belvin (Ponchatoula Basketball Association)*

II. Approval of Minutes: July 22, 2021 Regular Meeting

After review, it was motioned by Roger Kennedy and seconded by Terry Byers approving minutes.

Motion passed.

III. Approval of Financials: July 22, 2021 - August 18, 2021

After review, it was motioned by Terry Byers and seconded by Roger Kennedy approving financials.

Motion passed.

IV. Old Business:

Covid 19 - Fletcher discusses the rise in local Covid cases and would like everyone to take caution and be prepared by keeping a close eye on the public safety guidelines that need following and that he will pass along any updates received from the press conference he is attending the following day.

V. New Business:

A. Ponchatoula Basketball – *Mr. Ray Belvin of Ponchatoula Basketball Association, informs the Board that the Basketball Association has decided to resume basketball for the upcoming season with registration lasting until November and games beginning January 2022. Mr. Belvin asks The Board about PBA having use of the facility during Summer 2022 for a possible summer basketball league consisting of several out-of-district teams registering to play “tournament style” games on Saturdays. Mr. Belvin also mentions how PBA would like to host AAU Tournaments and if possible, what all needs to be done for PBA to do so at PARD’s facility. The topic of security was brought up and the Board reminded Mr. Belvin about the need of having two security officers present during games held at the facility and that this is required by TPSO. It was suggested to check with TPSO on the availability of these officers for those events, while the Board looks into what is needed to move forward.*

B. Millage Update - *Aycock updates the Board on the timeline for adoption of the new millage rates and what requirements must be met before holding a public hearing for voting.*

VI. Reports:

A. Park Manager’s Report - *Stevens discusses the commencement of the Drainage Project, informing the Board that the contract with G & G Dozer Services has been signed, allowing them to now move forward with the ordering of materials.*

B. Program/Events update - *Stevens read the full schedule report submitted by the Events Coordinator, Tisha Smith.*

C. Chairman Remarks - *Fletcher thanks the members of the Board for what they do and wishes everyone a safe drive home.*

VII. Adjournment:

There was a motion by Terry Byers and seconded by Roger Kennedy to adjourn the meeting. All members were in favor and the meeting adjourned at 6:38 p.m.

Greg Fletcher, Board Chairman

Shannon Aycock, Executive Secretary