

PONCHATOULA AREA RECREATION DISTRICT #1

CHAIRMAN AND BOARD

The PARD # 1 held a regular meeting on Thursday, November 17, 2016. Rocquin called the meeting to order at 6:34 p.m. and the roll was called.

Present: Byers, Fletcher, Kennedy, Rocquin, Rogers

Absent: None

Guest: Paul Riggs, Durnin & James CPA

Riggs of Durnin & James presented the 2016 Proposed General Fund Amended Budget and introduced the 2017 Proposed Budget to the Board. A Public Hearing will be held before the next Board Meeting, in December to, adopt the budget for 2017. The proposed budget is available for public viewing at the reception desk of the park. Fletcher made a motion to approve the 2016 Amended Budget. Kennedy seconded the motion. There being no discussion, all board members present were in favor and the motion passed.

After reviewing the October 20, 2016 regular meeting minutes, Fletcher made a motion to accept the minutes as written. Kennedy seconded the motion. There being no discussion, all board members present were in favor and the motion passed.

After a review of the financial provided by Martin, Palmer made a motion to accept the financial review report. Byers seconded the motion and all board members present were in favor and the motion passed.

The Ponchatoula Youth Volleyball ends the season with championship games tonight. There will be one game in each age division. Both games will be played at the same time. After awards will be given. Saturday, November 19<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. there is an End of Season Celebration planned for the players and coaches. Board members are welcome to attend at Pavilion # 2. The gate proceeds from Championship Volleyball games went to TARC.

Ponchatoula Basketball Association registration ended October 31, 2016 with 686 participants. Drafts are in progress and practices will begin on December 5<sup>th</sup>.

Stevens stated the interior of the Event Building will be repainted and freshened up in January. Polyurethane floor of Pavillion #2 has been completed. Pond is producing good results with the catch and release of striped bass. Ken Rust of M.S. Fisheries donated three artificial habitat structures for the pond as a thank you for opportunity to service the pond. The facility is

staying busy with cooperative endeavors. Stevens will take action on Canadian Guess if they persist in the park. Football fields are in use until mid-December due to the area flooding in August. All-star games will take place the week after champion games. Park lights for night play will be required for the next few weeks. Fletcher reminded the board the park practice schedule follows the school schedule. Park will close early than regular scheduled hours on Wednesday before Thanksgiving Day.

Rocquin proposed engagement with Durnin & James, CPA for the Louisiana Legislative Audit for the year ending December 31, 2016. Fletcher made a motion to accept an engagement agreement with Durnin & James and for the chairperson to negotiate the price of the audit. Kennedy seconded the motion. There being no discussion, all board member present were in favor and the motion passed.

Rocquin discussed the Gun Show request to use the facility for two shows in 2017 and two dates in 2018. Painting of Events Building will start in January and round tables are ordered with table clothes for the upgrade

Byers made a motion to adjourn. Fletcher seconded the motion. There being no discussion, all board members present were in favor and the motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 7:17 p.m.

Ronnie Rocquin, Chairman

Charlotte Martin, Executive Secretary