

Regular Board Meeting Minutes
Ponchatoula Area Recreation District No. 1
19030 Ponchatoula Park Dr.
Ponchatoula, LA 70454
Thursday, January 17, 2019
6:30 p.m.

- I. Call to Order: Eldrid Palmer, Jr., Chairman
The regular meeting was called to order by Chairman Eldrid Palmer, Jr. at 6:30 p.m.

Roll Call: Terry Byers (P), Greg Fletcher (P), Roger Kennedy (P), Eldrid Palmer (P), Ronnie Rocquin (A)
- II. Approval of Minutes: December 6, 2018 Public Hearing/Meeting: After reviewing it was motioned by Roger Kennedy and seconded by Greg Fletcher to approve the minutes of December 6, 2018. Motion passed.
- III. Approval of Financial: Dec. 6, 2018 - Jan. 16, 2019: After reviewing it was motioned by Greg Fletcher and seconded by Terry Byers approving financials. Motion passed.
- IV. Old Business:
 - A. Overflow Gym: Palmer
Palmer discussed revisions proposed to Holly & Smith Architects with regards to overflow gym changes in design suggested by board. Architects agreed all proposed changes would be implemented. Stevens presented a sample of copolymer suspended athletic surface for gym floor. Board discussed floor options and agreed copolymer athletics surface would be the best choice. The board once more considered construction of two court rather than single court option. Fletcher made a motion to amend the original vote of the board, on August 30, 2018, for a single court gym to two courts on condition the cost does not exceed 2.95 million. Motion was seconded by Roger Kennedy.
Roll Call: Ayes-Terry Byers, Greg Fletcher, Roger Kennedy, Eldrid Palmer, Ronald Rocquin
Nays-None
Abstain-None
Absent-None
Motion passed in favor of two court overflow gym facility.

V. New Business:

A. Basketball: Palmer

Palmer announced PYB League concession will not serve fries at games this year.

B. 2019 Firework Show: Palmer

Board discussed contracting with Artisan Pyrotechnics for 4th of July Firework Show again this year. Fletcher questioned price increase for 2019 show due to tariff on imports. Martin agreed to contact Artisan about tariffs affects and pricing for 2019 Firework Show. Board agreed to display fireworks on 4th of July Holiday. Fletcher suggested to secure the date of Thursday, July 4th with Artisan.

Other business brought before the Board: None

VI. Reports

A. Park Manager's Report: Stevens

Stevens reported finding of insurance adjuster report from Nov. 1, 2018 storm damages. Determination of coverage included roof damage of center concession and damage to metal buildings. Damage to wrought iron fence and sponsor sign was considered wind and it is not cover by the policy. All quotes for repair work have been submitted to insurance company. Stevens stated he met with board of "Yes" organization to finalized plans for flag football league. Plans are in place to re-mulch front playground with play safer rubber mulch.

B. Sports Coordinator Report: Smith

Program/Event Coordinator, Tisha Smith, announced new events for 2019 and updated board on current sports programs at PARD. She reviewed programs such as; Walk with Ease, Ready! Set! Run! National Family Health & Fitness Day, Bird Watching and adult fitness classes. Other activities included yoga classes, open play basketball, pickleball and partnerships with other social services organization in Tangipahoa Parish. The Program/Event Coordinator offered many other activities for 2019 including; Community Appreciation Day, monthly lectures, self-defense course, educational classes for youth during spring break, plus art and volleyball for adults. Smith stated background screening report were conducted on all coaches for Volleyball & Basketball this season and highly recommended background screening for all coaches and volunteers at PARD.

C. Chairman Remarks: Palmer

Board discussed issues with walking track near Events Building holding water. Stevens gave quote of \$4,216 for asphalt paving in that area. Fletcher made motion that capital outlay budget should be used to raise asphalt in area of Events Building. Motion was seconded by Terry Byers and motion passed.

Public Comments: NONE

Adjournment: There was a motion by Greg Fletcher and seconded by Roger Kennedy to adjourn the meeting. All members were in favor and the meeting adjourned at 7:18 p.m.

Eldrid Palmer, Jr., Chairperson

Charlotte Martin, Secretary