

PONCHATOULA AREA RECREATION DISTRICT #1

CHAIRMAN AND BOARD

The PARD #1 held a regular meeting on Thursday, May 28, 2015. Dufreche called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m. and roll was called.

Present: Dufreche, Fletcher, Palmer, Rocquin

Absent: Amerson

Visitors: Jacob Stevens, Roger Kennedy, Dennis James, Christie Balardo, Paul Riggs, Marcus Lambert.

Dufreche asked to allow our guests to move up on the agenda to allow them to leave at their convenience.

Marcus Lambert read a resolution to the board as follows.

RESOLUTION

A resolution providing for the incurring of debt and issuance of not to exceed Four Million Two Hundred Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$4,230,000) of Revenue Refunding Bonds, in one or more series, of Ponchatoula Area Recreation District and conditions of said Bonds, designating the date, denomination and place of payment of said Bonds, providing for the payment thereof in principal and interest; authorizing the agreement with the Paying Agent; and providing for other matters in connection therewith.

Fletcher made a motion to accept the resolution. Rocquin seconded the motion. There being no discussion a roll call vote was taken and the motion passed as shown below:

YEAS: Dufreche, Fletcher, Palmer, Rocquin

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Amerson

ABSTAIN: None

Riggs reviewed the Preliminary Draft of the 2014 Audit with the Board. The independent auditors report states this is an unmodified or clean opinion, giving an A-plus opinion on the financials themselves. Discussions were held regarding findings and a recommendation. A new procedure will be put into place. No cash will be accepted in the office. Brignac has already made contact with the bank to obtain a remote capture device to scan checks and money orders. A letter outlining the procedure will be sent to Durnin & James.

After reviewing the April 16, 2015 regular meeting minutes, Rocquin made a motion to accept the minutes as written. Fletcher seconded the motion. There being no discussion, all board members present were in favor and the motion passed.

After a review of the financials, Fletcher made a motion to accept the financial review report prepared by Brignac. Palmer seconded the motion. There being no discussion, all board members present were in favor and the motion passed.

Brignac discussed capital projects and equipment report including signage and football concrete and bleachers.

Stevens discussed field conditions. He stated his crew was using the weed eater more than the mowers due to the amount of rain we have been having.

Brignac discussed upcoming events in the gymnasium including volleyball in June, the gun show in July, and the fight competition in August.

Dufreche discussed the quilt trail. He will have the prototype for the next meeting.

Brignac informed board everything was together to send to DOTD on the change of the signage.

Dufreche discussed 2015 Fireworks show. The board discussed the problem of having a baseball tournament the day after the fireworks show. The employees will be here cleaning up after the show until late into the night. Palmer made a motion to exclude all activity following a Thursday or Friday Fireworks Show event. Fletcher seconded the motion. There being no further discussion, all board members present were in favor and the motion passed.

Brignac discussed the WTSO contract. Fletcher made a motion to enter into a contract with WTSO. Palmer seconded the motion. There being no further discussion, all board members present were in favor and the motion passed.

Brignac discussed professional seminars and the benefits. Rocquin made a motion to send Smith and Brignac to attend the recommended seminars. Fletcher seconded the motion. There being no further discussion, all board members present were in favor and the motion passed.

Rocquin discussed the 2016 Strawberry Festival Ball. They would like to move up the date to February 13. Discussion will continue at the next meeting.

Dufreche mentioned he would be off the board as of June 30, 2015. Rocquin stated he would like to be considered as the next chairman for PARD. Dufreche made a motion to nominate Rocquin as the next Chairman. Palmer seconded the motion. There being no further discussion, all board members present were in favor and the motion passed.

Rocquin made a motion to adjourn. Palmer seconded the motion. There being no discussion, all board members present were in favor and the motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

Daniel Dufreche
Daniel Dufreche, Chairman

Cathy M. Brignac
Cathy M. Brignac, Board Secretary

