

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING & AGENDA

Date of Notice: October 21, 2018 at 8:00 a.m.

Regular Board Meeting of Bayou Vermilion District

To be held at: Vermilionville, 300 Fisher Road, Lafayette, Louisiana 70508

4:30 p.m. October 24, 2018

AGENDA:

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call
- III. New Commissioner Oath of Office
- IV. Approval of Minutes from September 26, 2018 Regular Meeting
- V. Introduction of Guests
- VI. Public Comments
- VII. President's Report
- VIII. Chief Executive Officer's Report
 - A. Coordinators' Reports
- IX. Committee Reports
 - A. Marketing/Public Relations
 - B. Finance/Capital
 - C. Operations/Bayou/Maintenance
 - D. Environmental
 - E. Education/Programming/Grants
 - F. Curatorial/Acquisitions
 - G. Master Plan
 - F. Budget
- X. New Business
- X. Adjournment

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Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of the Bayou Vermilion District
Held at Vermilionville, 300 Fisher Road Lafayette Louisiana
4:30 pm, October 24, 2018

Call to Order was given by President Richard. The meeting was called at 4:33 pm.
Roll Call: Given by the Secretary; Rodney Richard, Natalie Keefer, Thomas Michot, Don McConnell, Catherine Comeaux, Ray Landry and John Broussard were present. Commissioner Kristie Cornell was absent. There was a quorum.

Commissioner Ray Landry was welcomed back to the board.

Approval of Minutes: **MOTION:** (D. McConnell/T. Michot) Motion to accept the minutes from the September 26, 2018 meeting. All were in favor. Motion carried.
Introduction of Guest(s): Guest: None. Staff: CEO Cheramie, Shawntell Lewis, Emile Ancelet, Wesley Davis, Maegan Smith, Millicent Norbert, Anne Mahoney, Brady McKellar and Kim Fournet.

Commissioner Benjamin Richard joined the meeting at 4:35 pm.

Public Comment(s): There were no public comments.

President's Report: President Richard will make comments during the committee reports.

CEO's Report: Copies of CEO Cheramie's report and coordinators reports (on file) were e-mailed. CEO reviewed his report. CEO Cheramie told the board about the Rotary Club's guest speaker who contracted polio at an early age in India but did not let that affliction define him. He became a radiologist in the United States, married and had children. CEO has had many meeting about the watershed in Louisiana. Vermilionville is preparing for Black Pot this weekend. CEO congratulated Brady McKellar for being Top Twenty under Forty this year. September was not as strong a month as was expected but October, November and December look very promising. CEO is meeting with department heads to discuss the 2018 and 2019 budgets and will meet with the finance committee in November.

Marketing/Public Relations: The committee did not meet. Boo Bayou was this past Saturday and Vermilionville had 1,050 visitors. Shawntell Lewis handed out the 4th Quarter newsletter to the board.

Finance/Capital: The committee did not meet but will schedule a meeting the first week of November to plan the adjusted 2018 budget and the projected 2019 budget.

Operations/Bayou/Maintenance: The committee did not meet. President Richard would like to meet to discuss Lynn Guidry's fees.

Environmental: The committee did not meet. Coordinators reports are included in the commissioners' packet. CEO Cheramie commended Greg Guidroz's great job of policing trash at Festival Acadiens et Creoles.

Programming/Education/Grants: The committee did not meet but Commissioner Keefer informed the board that she has access to a national database for grants and will be researching new, more lucrative grants.

Curatorial/Acquisitions: The committee did not meet this month. Anne Mahoney and staff are preparing for the site visit in November. The committee will meet Monday.

Master Plan: The committee will meet December 5th to study the original Master Plan to see what is still pertinent, what has been accomplished and how to be it in to a database.

Budget: The financial analysis comparison for the month ending September 2018 was available for the commissioners' review. CEO covered the year to date revenues and expenditures earlier in his report.

New Business: President Richard reminded the commissioners about the December meeting change from the 26th to the 19th. Commissioner Landry asked who would be scheduling Sunday bands in 2019. Brady McKellar explained that he and staff are looking into hiring some new and contemporary bands along with the traditional ones. Mr. McKellar is analyzing the revenues and expenses each band produce. Anne Mahoney asked that each commissioner review the core documents before the site visit and that the dinner is November 15th at 6 pm in the restaurant.

Adjournment: MOTION: (T. Michot/J. Broussard) Motion to adjourn. All were in favor. Motion carried.

/s/ Rodney Richard
Rodney Richard, President

/s/ Natalie Keefer
Natalie Keefer, Secretary