

The Parks and Recreation District 3 met in a regular meeting on Monday, November 8, 2021, at 6:00 p.m. at the North Park Multipurpose Recreation Facility located at 30372 Eden Church Road in Denham Springs, La.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Julie Dyason-Norris
Present- S.Elliott , K.Anderson, J.Wale, R.Harris, J.Dyason-Norris, Ray Riley, Jr.,
J.Mallett Absent-none
Guests - Management Employees of the District
Krista Adams, Andrian Harrison, citizens
Mr.& Mrs Ricky Bishop, Tiger Aquatics LLC

Adrian Harrison address the board regarding volleyball activities at the West Livingston campus. She covered the history of her involvement with teaching girls volleyball skills and requested if improvements could be considered in the future for modernizing the basketball court to have accessories installed to improve volleyball play. Chairman thanked her for her groups' past use of the facility and recommended that a written cost estimate needs to be determined for court upgrade consideration.

Krista Adams presented an annual report on the purple martin project at North Park regarding actions by Purple Martin Conservation Initiative. She reported on the rescue of 60 birds during the ice storm in early 2021 and noted the ongoing actions taken for a nature event. She reported that since 2016, the colony has expanded to 51 pairs who reside with 156 babies. She thanked the board and requested to host another nature event in 2022. Board thanked Mrs. Adams and agreed on this event to be hosted at North Park.

Jeffrey Wale arrived at the meeting.

Motion to adopt the minutes of the 9-13-21 meeting as mailed with no public comment by J.Mallett seconded by S.Elliott Vote passed Yeas- J.Dyason-Norris,S.Elliott, R.Harris, K.Anderson, Ray Riley Jr. J.Mallett, J.Wale Nays-none Absent-none

A financial report was provided for the October period of operations and budget line item comparisons for the year were noted by the Administrative Treasurer.

Motion to approve the financial report for October, 2021, with no public comment by K.Anderson seconded by R.Harris Vote passed Yeas- J.Dyason-Norris, S.Elliott, R.Harris, K.Anderson, R.Riley,J.Mallett, J.Wale Nays-none Absent-none

Superintendent recommended to advertise for bids for the 2022 uniforms, 2022 equipment and recreational supplies, and 2022 concession services as per published specifications.

He also noted that the West Livingston Kiwanis Club has requested to host a Thanksgiving event on November 19, 2021.

Motion to advertise for the 2022 uniform bids as per published specifications with no public comment by K.Anderson seconded by R.Harris Vote passed Yeas- J.Dyason-Norris, J.Mallett, S.Elliott, Ray Riley, Jr, R.Harris, K.Anderson, J.Wale Nays-none Absent-none

Motion to advertise for the 2022 equipment/supply bids as per published specifications with no public comment by S.Elliott seconded by J.Mallett Vote passed Yeas-J.Dyason-Norris, J.Mallett, S.Elliott, Ray Riley, Jr, R.Harris, K.Anderson, J.Wale Nays-none Absent-none

Motion to advertise for the 2022 concession vendor service bids for all areas of the Park as per published specifications with no public comment by S.Elliott seconded by J.Mallett Vote passed Yeas- J.Dyason Elliott, Ray Riley, Jr., R.Harris, K.Anderson, J.Wale Nays-none Absent -Norris, J.Mallett, S. -none

Motion to allow the West Livingston Kiwanis Club to use a room at West Livingston Activity Center free in order to host a Thanksgiving event contingent upon agreement by the West Livingston Advisory Committee and availability of the site with no public comment by K.Anderson seconded by R.Riley, Jr. Vote passed Yeas-J.Dyason-Norris, S.Elliott, J.Mallett, Ray Riley, Jr., R.Harris, K.Anderson, J.Wale Nays-none Absent-none

Superintendent shared the preliminary budget information and stated that the committee's meeting shall be held soon.

*He noted that Jim Ryan continues to work in the re-financing of debt project.

*He stated that he will meet with FEMA representative on 11-18-21 for disaster reimbursement assistance.

*He introduced Mr. & Mrs. Bishop of Tiger Aquatics LLC. Mr. Bishop presented a rental proposal to the board. He proposed new rental agreement terms regarding fees and usage. Board members made comments and thanked Mr.Bishop for the recreational swimming opportunities given to the youth in this area and in Baton Rouge.

Courtney Stevens made comments stating that past rental of the facilities does not appear to be impacting public use of the pool. Board and Mr. Bishop commented on the need for a rental contract with clear terms. Board members stated that the interim use that has already taken place since the expiration of the past contract is assumed to be at the same terms since use was made by the organization. Chairman and the board explained the use for past two months (no payment received as of today) should be followed under the original contract terms and for the interim periods. It was noted that the September/October rate should be paid at the old rate and that a committee will research the new contract terms. Board and Mr.Bishop will follow up on the finalization of terms soon. Board continued to discuss the detail terms on determined rental calculation tied to data provided by the organization on how many swimmers were using the time slots.

Jeffrey Wale requested information on the fair organization that rented space this past weekend. Superintendent noted that the 3 day event charge equaled \$3750 of rent.

Fitness Director, Paige Frederick, stated that progress continues with membership.

Director, John Arbor stated that 250 kids were active in flag football season and increase over 2020 numbers. He stated that baseball registration is underway now.

Ray Riley, Jr. noted that WLAC messaged him that they are scheduling 2022 events. Superintendent stated that he will follow up on the West Livingston Kiwanis event.

Courtney Stevens, AquaPards Director, noted that high school swim teams are finishing competition in November.

Stephanie Morris reported that The Pines has hosted various scramble events and a glow ball event is set for 12-11-21. She stated that most damage from IDA has been repaired and that the cart renewal contract deadline was extended to May, 2022.

Rod Vulgamore, South Park Supervisor, reported that the Trunk or Treat event at South Park was heavily attended and a success. He stated that only one horse show remains for the 2021 year and that each show has lasted a total of 15 hours.

The Public Relations Committee stated that they have been working on signage designs. A survey has been made via social media and results will be available soon.

Chairman reported on new assignments for 8 committees which will be effective 1-1-22. She noted that Ray Riley Jr. will serve on several of these committees.

Motion to adjourn the meeting with no public comment by K.Anderson seconded by R.Harris Vote passed Yeas-J.Dyason-Norris, S.Elliott, R.Harris, J.Wale, K.Anderson, R.Riley Jr., J.Mallett Nays -none Absent-none



Randall Smith Administrative Treasurer

Next meeting will be held at 6PM on Monday, December 13, 2021
(Budget Hearing begins at 6PM first item on agenda)