

The Livingston Parish Recreation District 2 met in a regular meeting on Wednesday, April 9, 2025, in Watson, La. at 6 pm at the Administrative Office (Live Oak Sportsplex) located at 36965 Louisiana Highway 16, Watson, La.

Present- C. Prescott, T. McRae, B.J. Guerin, S. Howitz, B.J. Clark, V. Brown

Absent: April Curtis

Guests/Public: none

Employees of the District

Meeting called to order by Chairman Chris Prescott

Pledge of allegiance was given and prayer led by Administrative Secretary.

Motion to adopt the minutes as mailed for the March 12, 2025, meeting with no public comment, by V. Brown seconded by S. Howitz Vote passed Yeas-6 –none Nays-none Absent-April Curtis

There were no public comments.

Director, Mike Hansen, presented the Director's report for April.

*He reported that spring league play has begun and concessions are doing well. He stated that there will be no games schedules Easter weekend.

*He reported that maintenance operations are going well.

*He stated the track refurbishment begins Easter week by the contractor.

*He noted that the electronic gate contractor will be installing units soon.

*He commented that the landscape project is to be performed soon.

*It was noted that electrical upgrades at the concession stands are completed and a few miscellaneous items remain.

*He noted that a sink hole was discovered near field 11 and he covered other miscellaneous items being addressed.

*He gave a report on two vandalism events regarding rest rooms. Board discussed the option of deterring damages.

Board comments were made thanking the Director on the great maintenance performed in recent months at the park as well as attention given to his job.

Administrative Secretary presented the financial report with the board for the March, 2025, period of operations as compared to budget with April bills.

Motion to accept the financial report of March and pay the bills as presented for the April period with no public comment by C. Prescott seconded by S. Howitz
Vote passed Yeas-6 Nays-none Absent-April Curtis

Under the Chairman's report, he reported that the purchase agreement was signed after the last regular meeting with the adjacent property owners for the purchase of the 20 acres at the agreed upon price \$490,000.

Motion to authorize the Chairman to execute the purchase of the adjacent approximate 20 acres Pendarvis property for the amount of \$490,000 with funds coming from reserve funds with no public comment by B.J. Guerin seconded by Howitz
Vote passed Yeas-6 Nays-none Absent-April Curtis

Chairman recommended to begin clearing the new property once purchased. Board made discussion of action steps to clear, level, and make appropriate drainage improvements. Board consensus agreed to secure three quotes for clearing the new property. Board directed Director to bush hog the Fore Road property also.

Under committee reports, Tracy McRae made a personnel report recommending top increase the new hire for maintenance to \$55,000 annual salary, provide a vehicle, and paid health care insurance effective nearest pay period.

Motion to approve the personnel committee's recommendation effective 4-21-25 with no public comment by B.J. Guerin seconded by C. Prescott
Vote passed Yeas-6 Nays-none Absent-April Curtis

Under board comments, BJ Guerin stated that she continues to work on the home plate recognition project regarding the park history.

Motion to adjourn the meeting with no public comment by C. Prescott seconded by BJ Clark
Vote passed Yeas-6 Nays-none Absent-April Curtis



Randall Smith - Administrative Secretary

Next public meeting on Wednesday, May 14, 2025 6 pm