

TIMBERLANE NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT & BEAUTIFICATION DISTRICT
MINUTES OF REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

March 19, 2020, 6:30PM

TIMBERLANE COUNTRY CLUB (BALLROOM)

#1 TIMBERLANE DRIVE GRETNA, LA 70056

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER (6:35 PM)

In attendance: Chair Jon McGill, Ann Berthelot, Ronnie Evans, Harry Stumpf, John Firestone
Quorum is present

1. Public review of the proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2020 – 2021

This meeting is being held after Governor Edwards issued the Coronavirus Stay-at-Home order. Crucial statutory deadlines (confirmed by phone calls with the Legislative Auditor, the Louisiana General Council, and Louisiana Attorney General) obliged the Board to proceed with this meeting as scheduled. If the Board did not adopt a budget now, we would be unable to spend any money for the next year. Therefore, we have decided to proceed with the scheduled meeting with a limited agenda: to receive public comment about the proposed budget and to pass it.

Recognizing the desire for many members to participate in this process, we published the budget on the TNIBD website. In compliance with the order to keep gatherings under 49 people (our current guidance from the Governor), and in order to give best chance for public comment, we have reviewed questions submitted by email and Facebook. We have arranged to stream the meeting live on Facebook. Thank you to Gina Vendetti for managing this.

We are fortunate that golf courses are recognized as a good way to get exercise and exposure to fresh air. We have arranged protocols to operate under the guidelines coming from the CDC, the Federal Coronavirus Task Force, and the State of Louisiana.

The Chairman exercises his right to cancel the rest of the agenda and proceed to adoption of the budget. In view of the misunderstanding about availability of the budget for public view with the Jefferson Parish Clerk's office, and in view of the COVID19 situation, we also published the budget on the TNIBD website. Therefore, the public has had opportunity to review the budget and comment.

The budget is an ongoing process. There are procedures to amend the budget, if needed.

Mr. Baxter's questions were addressed publicly.

1. The increase in revenue is a conservative estimate taken from review of the last five years' income and consultation with Century Golf.
2. Member dues are gone now. Non-resident member dues are expected to increase.
3. TNIBD is planning for a public audit. We have received 5 proposals from auditors certified by the State of Louisiana for such procedures. We had planned to choose the auditor tonight, but in view of the special circumstances surrounding this meeting, all other agenda items have been postponed.
4. Debt principal payments indeed should not be called expenses. Indeed, we are amending the budget to appropriately call these items expenditures rather than expenses.
5. Club House Amenities: These payments are what we (TNIBD) pay to Café Hope to maintain the pool, tennis courts, gym, and clubhouse for our members. This amounts to \$28 per member per month.
6. An increased amount for golf course maintenance is in the budget. These are needed repairs discussed in conjunction with the expert agronomist from Century.
7. We have updated the revenue from the TNIBD tax assessment to include the portion received in early March.
8. We do pay property taxes on the current cart lease from Yamaha. We are exempt from property taxes on other leased items and on the golf course itself.

There were no additional questions from the Facebook audience.

The budget resolution was read by Harry Stumpf.

2. Adoption of Budget Resolution

A resolution was introduced to adopt the budget as outlined, to make public notice of the public hearing on the budget, and to make the budget available to public review in a place and manner consistent with R.S. 39:1307.

- a. Mover: Harry Stumpf
- b. Secoder: Ronald Evans
- c. ACTION: APPROVE
- d. VOTE: 5-0
- e. YEAS: Ann Berthelot, Ronald Evans, John Firestone, Jon McGill, Harry Stumpf
- f. NAYS: None

3. Coronavirus Concerns

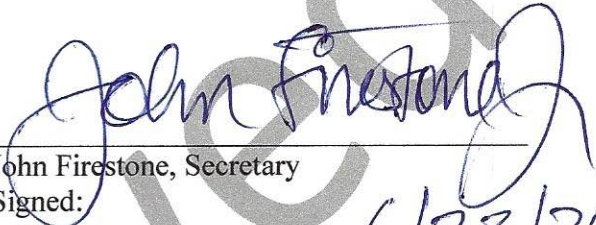
The Board of the TNIBD urges all neighbors to take the coronavirus epidemic seriously. Please adopt the recommendations to protect each other. Cooperate and look after each other, especially our elderly or infirm neighbors. With this cooperation, we can all get through this.

4. Adjourned

- a. Mover: Jon McGill
- b. Seconder: Harry Stumpf
- c. ACTION: APPROVE (7:00 PM)
- d. VOTE: 5-0
- e. YEAS: Ann Berthelot, Ronald Evans, John Firestone, Jon McGill, Harry Stumpf
- f. NAYS: None



Jon S. McGill, Chairperson
Signed:



John Firestone, Secretary
Signed:

6/23/2020

APPROVED