

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Community Center & Playground District #3, Calcasieu Parish, Vinton, LA was held in the board room of the Recreation Building on January 13, 2021 at 6:00pm. After full compliance with all regulations as to notice otherwise and respect to conveying of said meeting with the following present:

Present: Danny Paladino-----President  
 Scott Spell-----Vice President  
 Diane Conner-----Secretary/Treasurer

Absent: Johnathan Harbert  
 Kristal Eastwood

Others: Gwen LeJuhn-----Director  
 Loren Labby-----Assistant Director  
 Ashley Courville-----Ward 7 Employee  
 Curtis Vincent-----Architect

Danny Paladino, President called meeting to order at 6:00PM.

New Building Up-Date: Curtis Vincent presented the board with a change order for a generator mechanical pad for future use of a generator to the new building. Cost for installation and material to complete the job \$37,843.52. After the hook up and pad is installed a generator can be purchased or rented when needed to run the building. Mr. Vincent told the board everything was still on schedule and moving along nicely.

Pat Williams Payment No. 14 for \$133,025.44 was presented to the board.

Diane Conner made a motion to approve payment no. 14 for \$133,025.52, Scott Spell seconded, unanimous.

Election of Officers:

Scott Spell made a motion to table Election of Officers until next board meeting, whereas a full board may be present, Diane Conners seconded, unanimous.

Official Journal:

Diane Conner made a motion to appoint Lake Charles American Press the official journal for 2021, Scott Spell seconded, unanimous.

Bank of Record:

Scott Spell made a motion to appoint Merchants and Farmers the bank of record for 2021, Diane Conner seconded, unanimous.

Up-dated By-Laws:

Scott Spell made a motion to approve the change to the by-laws as written on holding election of officers in December of each year, Diane Conner seconded, unanimous.

The Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire:

Diane Conner made a motion to approve the Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire, Scott Spell seconded, unanimous.

Scott Spell made a motion to move the Engineer Report ahead of the Gym Closure before deciding on the gym. Diane Conner Seconded, unanimous.

Engineer Report: The board read the engineer report and had some question on the safety of building coming from the report. They put together questions and concerns and Diane Conner will call the engineer firm to get answers on the questions the board has on the building report.

Scott Spell made a motion to close the gym for 15 days to obtain the questions on the safety of the building. Diane Conner seconded, unanimous.

The board discussed land for sale next to the ballpark. Danny Paladino asked the board if they would like to make an offer to buy the land. If bought it could be used for soccer and football fields in the future. This would be putting all the sports in one area for the community.

Scott Spell made a motion to allow Danny Paladino permission to call the relator and offer \$80,000 (eighty thousand) on the 5-acre land next to the Ted Lyons Ballpark, Diane Conner Seconded, unanimous.

Employee Edmond Southern not present. Loren Labby said he would like to be at the next meeting whereas a full board be present to speak with them on pay raises for the employees. He will be added to the agenda at the next regular board meeting.

Public Comment: Scott Spell said he would like to dedicate maybe the new gym or something to that nature to David Smith. Mr. David Smith recently passed away and was a very big part of the Vinton Recreation Center. He served as Coach and volunteered his time to help with the sports program for many years. The board discussed maybe a plaque or naming the gym after him. Everyone present agreed of doing something in memory of David Smith at the completion of the new building.

There being no further business Diane Conner made a motion to adjourn, Scott Spell seconded, unanimous.

