



COMMUNITY CENTER & PLAYGROUND DIST. NO. 3
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WARD 7 RECREATION COMMUNITY CENTER
Special Board of Commissioners Meeting
Held at Ward 7 Community Center Meeting Room
1615 Horridge Street, Vinton, LA 70668
Wednesday, May 24, 2023, 5:30 PM

Minutes of the special meeting of the Community Center & Playground District #3, Calcasieu Parish, Vinton, LA held in the meeting room of the Community Center on May 24, 2023, at 5:30 PM. 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
 Kristal Eastwood, Vice President
 Diane Conner, Secretary
 Scott Spell, Commissioner
 Johnathan Harbert, Commissioner

Absent: None

Others: Loren Labby, Director
 Edmond Southern, Maintenance Supervisor
 Ashley Courville, Sports Director
 Mr. David Brucchaus
 Mrs. Lenzi Hebert

On a motion by Ms. Eastwood, seconded by Mrs. Conner, and carried, the Board approved the minutes as presented for the April 12, 2023, regular board meeting.

There is no old business to handle.

A resolution to adopt the tax millages' was presented to the board. Danny Paladino read aloud the resolution.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the following millage(s) are hereby levied on the 2023 tax roll on all property subject to taxation by Community Center & Playground District No. 3.

Millage(s)	
Maintenance	7.96 Mills
Maintenance #2 Pool	2.92 Mills
General Obligation Bond	6.9 Mills

The foregoing resolution was read in full; the roll was called on the adoption thereof, and the resolution was adopted by the following votes. (No public comment before the vote)

Yays: Diane Conner, Johnathan Harbert, Scott Spell, Kristal Eastwood, Danny Paladino

Nays: None

Abstained: None

Absent: None

Johnathan Harbert made a motion to adopt the adjusted tax millages for 2023 and not to roll forward, Kristal Eastwood seconded, unanimously approved. No public present for comment.

Mr. Paladino moved to the next item on the agenda, Personnel Change. Mr. Paladino addressed the resignation the board received from Jessica Heard. Resignation has been accepted effective May 17, 2023.

At 5:36 PM, Mr. Harbert made a motion to enter executive session, seconded by Ms. Eastwood, and carried. At 6:08 PM, Mr. Harbert made a motion to return to regular session, seconded by Mrs. Conner, carried unanimously. No public present for comment. Mr. Paladino left the meeting due to emergency call.

Mr. Spell gave the floor to Mr. Brucchaus. Mr. Brucchaus presented the board with a resolution authorizing the employment of special counsel. Resolution was read aloud.

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EMPLOYMENT OF SPECIAL COUNSEL BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE COMMUNITY CENTER & PLAYGROUND DISTRICT NO. 3 OF WARD 7 OF CALCASIEU PARISH, LOUISIANA.

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the Community Center & Playground District No. 3 of Ward 7 of Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana (the "District"), is a duly created and validly existing body corporate, politic, and political subdivision of the State of Louisiana, under and pursuant to the provision of Article VI, 2 of the Louisiana Constitution of 1974, as amended, and Ordinance No. 786 adopted by the Calcasieu Parish Police Jury on July 20, 1953, as amended; and

WHEREAS the District seeks to employ general counsel to handle legal matters that may need to be addressed.

WHEREAS, the law firm of Mudd Bruchhaus & Keating, L.L.C. of Lake Charles, Louisiana has experience with handling legal matters for parish and local boards.

WHEREAS employment of special counsel will foster and be furtherance of the objectives of the public service functions of the District;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners, governing authority of the District, as follows:

SECTION 1: The statements of fact expressly contained with the preamble to this Resolution have been specifically reviewed by the District's Board of Commissioners and are found to be factually true and correct and are made resolutions of the District.

SECTION 2: The District desires to obtain legal representation in accordance with the provision of La. R.S. 42:263, and subject to the approval of the Louisiana Attorney General.

SECTION 3: There being a real public necessity for the retention and employment of special legal counsel to provide specialized legal services to the District.

SECTION 4: The District hereby authorizes employment of Mudd Bruchhaus & Keating, L.L.C, as special counsel to the District, subject to the approval of the Louisiana Attorney General.

SECTION 5: The compensation to be paid by the District to Mudd Bruchhaus & Keating, L.L.C., shall be in accordance with the Louisiana Attorney General's Fee Schedule for hourly legal services.

SECTION 6: The District hereby authorized counsel to submit a certified copy of this Resolution to the office of the Attorney General of the State of Louisiana, in accordance with the provision of La. R.S. 42:263.

SECTION 7: This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

The Resolution was introduced and pursuant to motion made by Kristal Eastwood and seconded by Johnathan Harbert, was adopted, and carried, unanimously. No public present for comment.

Mr. Bruchhaus presented the Board with his opinion on three matters presented to him by Loren Labby.

Mr. Bruchhaus had received an email from Mrs. Labby regarding an employee resigning. He suggests paying out the balance of comp time. Vacation time to be paid out needs to be prorated for the year in correlation to the time worked.

Mrs. Labby had reached out to Mr. Bruchhaus regarding calls from Personnel Concepts, a compliance company. The company has been reaching out to Mrs. Labby regarding training that they say is necessary for the District to be compliant. Mr. Bruchhaus recommends contacting the Calcasieu Parish Human Resource department. If they follow these trainings, then we should as well. If they do not, we wouldn't need to either.

The last matter was regarding MPLC, Motion Picture License Company. The company has been reaching out to Mrs. Labby claiming that a license is needed for the televisions located in the Community Center to air certain programming. Mr. Bruchhaus has reviewed paperwork from their lawyer. His opinion is that the license is not necessary. He will be drafting a response to send to MPLC.

There being no further business, Mrs. Conner made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Harbert, and carried, unanimously.