

**COMMUNITY CENTER AND PLAYGROUND  
DISTRICT #4 WARD #1  
MEETING TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2022**

Meeting was called to order by Connie Hoffpauir at 6:00pm.

**Board Members in attendance:** Bill Willis, Connie Hoffpauir, and Billy Wilcox

**In attendance:** Ashton Richard-Police Jury; David Brossett- Brossett Architects; Justin Gautreaux – VSG Architects, and Richard Dow

**Prayer/Pledge:** Prayer was led by Bill Willis; followed by the Pledge of Allegiance by board members.

**Visiting Guest Agenda Items:** Board recognized Justin Gautreaux with VSG Architects, he presented the board with the cost estimates for the Soccer/Football Lighting at a previous meeting. Justin explained that Musco will not install new lighting on both sides of the existing poles because they did not engineer the poles or know the integrity of the poles. The estimate includes 8 new poles to be installed. Musco can change out the light figures for the existing poles. Bill asked if it was a liability issue with Musco adding additional lighting to the existing poles. Justin stated that Musco does not know the integrity of the poles and it is a liability. Justin has reached out to Quallite Lighting that installed the current lights to attempt to get information about the existing poles but has not heard back after several attempts. Richard stated he has had trouble contacting Quallite to adjust the lighting. Justin reiterated that the existing service is maxed out so new services will have to be ran from Bozo Rd. Bill asked how much it costs per pole. Justin stated per the estimate each pole is approximately \$40,000 to \$50,000 with lights. Billy asked if staggering of the lights would be a possibility. Justin said he will have to discuss that possibility with Musco. Richard asked about the estimated timeline for the scope of work. Justin stated the estimated does not state the timeline but does not foresee any problems with materials.

Board then recognized David Brossett with Brossett Architects; he stated the lowest bid for the fencing project was from Delta Specialties. They have all their paperwork in order, have received the contract and are getting their performance and payment bond along with the insurance certificate. Brossett stated once we have all the paperwork and filed it with the courthouse then they can get started with the project. Connie stated she would like Board members at the pre-construction meeting. Brossett stated they will be using Nets of Texas. Dan Holder will be on site doing soil testing within the next week to two weeks.

Brossett stated the Lighting Project bids will be received Thursday, February 24<sup>th</sup>. Connie stated the Board can have a special meeting to discuss the acceptance of the bid the following week.

**Previous Meeting Minutes:** Minutes for the January 10<sup>th</sup> and February 11<sup>th</sup>, 2022, meetings were presented to the board.

*Bill made a motion to accept the January 10<sup>th</sup> minutes as written. Seconded by Billy. Motion Passed Unanimously.*

*Bill made a motion to accept the February 11<sup>th</sup> minutes as written. Seconded by Billy. Motion Passed Unanimously.*

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**Police Jurors Comments:** Ashton Richard was in attendance and said he had nothing to add at this point.

**Treasurers Report:** Richard presented the board with the Year-to-Date budget reports. Capital Account 773 was at \$4,099,033.91. Community Center maintenance budget item 774 was \$2,450,678.18. Senior Center account 775 stood at \$815,655.36. Bill asked about the \$4,800.00 for Able Plumbing. Richard stated they repaired a main line that was broken. Bill asked about the United Rental invoices. Richard stated United Rental was the skid steer rental. Connie asked about Blue Tarp Financial. Richard stated it was for Northern Tools purchases.

**Committee Reports:**

**Park:** Richard reported the park purchased a new chain saw to cut some poles. The Golf Cart was parked and locked up in the Open-Air Gym when it was stolen. After reviewing camera footage, it was dark, and they had face coverings so they could not be identified. It took them about 30 minutes to steal the Golf Cart. Richard is waiting to hear back from Dennis Guillory with Insurance Unlimited to see if the Golf Cart is covered on insurance. Richard stated his concerns about the content insurance coverage. Connie requested to speak with Dennis Guillory about the content insurance coverage. Connie also expressed concerns about the hurricane insurance claims and the possibility of speaking with an attorney about the matter.

Richard stated the SWLA Soccer League has completed their season and has returned all keys. BlueClaw Baseball, SWLA Baseball and the MBMS team is using the fields to practice. Richard has all the required paperwork for the organizations to use the fields. Connie requested updated league participation numbers. Bill asked about the status of Little League Registration. Richard stated he does not have any updates. Little League Board met last week, and registration is going to end soon. We were able to set up a few backstops for the teams to use for field practices at the soccer complex.

**Office:** Richard stated Bob Grove is still out. Richard is working with the Parish about hiring another maintenance employee. The temporary maintenance employees last day will be March 4<sup>th</sup>. Richard stated he is monitoring M&M Lawn mowing days, due to construction equipment and materials on site. Red, White and Boom would like to use the Soccer complex on June 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**Senior Center:** Richard stated Sandi Chambers – Senior Center Coordinator is on vacation this week, and Chris Johns – Senior Center Assistant Coordinator will be running the Senior Center. The Senior Center attendance numbers are rising. Richard reported the hood vent was reinspected, the exit lights need repairs, fixed sink issues and Cal-Cam is coming out tomorrow to address a rodent issue.

**Capital Planning:** No Capital Planning to discuss tonight.

**Old Business:**

**Millage Tax Election:** Richard reported the Millage Tax Renewal is coming up in April. The Board asked Richard to contact the lady from 2019 election, who assisted in the past with Millage preparation. Bill asked if the Millage Renewal is for Capital or

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Operational. After reviewing, Connie stated the Renewal is for Capital improvements. Richard will get more information and send it out to the Board. The Board requested the Millage Renewal be added to the next agenda.

**L15 Drainage Project:** Bill stated he has seen slow progress. Ashton stated it appears they are digging sections up at a time to install the new drainage system. Ashton expressed his concerns about the new drainage ditch area on the property line with deterring children from it. Richard suggested putting a fence around the new drainage ditch. A discussion is needed with Gravity Drainage in reference to the drainage ditch on the property line.

**Commissioner's Comments:** The next regular meeting for the Board of Commissioners for the Community Center and Playground District 4 of Ward 1 is scheduled to be held on Monday, March 21st, 6:00PM in open-air conference room.

*Bill made a motion to adjourn meeting; second by Billy. All in Favor. Motion passed. 6:57 pm.*

Minutes recorded and reported by Richard Dow.