

**COMMUNITY CENTER AND PLAYGROUND
DISTRICT 4 WARD 1
SPECIAL MEETING MONDAY, AUGUST 5TH, 2024**

The meeting was called to order by Bill Willis at 6:00pm.

Board Members in attendance: Bill Willis, Connie Hoffpauir, David Nixon, Bill Sommers, and Mister Edwards

In attendance: Rosalind Berry – Calcasieu Council on Aging, Sandra Chambers, Chris Johns, Linley Wilcox, William Wilcox, Toni Wilcox and Darby Quinn – District1 Police Juror (*entered meeting at 6:36pm*)

Prayer/Pledge: Prayer was led by Connie Hoffpauir; followed by the Pledge of Allegiance by board members.

New Business:

Temporary Relocation of Moss Bluff Senior Center Activities: Bill Willis stated the Senior Center Repairs Project bids were received on July 27th, 2024. Seth Priola Construction Inc has been awarded the construction contract for the Senior Center Repairs Project for the base bid of \$287,000.00 and alternate no. 1 of \$122,900.00 for a total construction cost of \$409,900.00. The estimated construction time is 178 calendar days. The contracts have been received and will be recorded at the Clerk of Courts office this week. Various options for relocating the Senior Center activities have been explored. Bill W., Connie, & Toni met with Moss Bluff United Methodist Church trustees last week to discuss the option of leasing gym facility. This facility includes a gym area, kitchen, restrooms, and a Sunday school/storage room. A lease was presented to the Moss Bluff Methodist Church trustees to review. The Moss Bluff United Methodist Church trustees will be meeting with the Council members this week to discuss the proposed arrangements. The Moss Bluff Senior Center operates from roughly 7:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. Berry inquired whether a date has been set for relocating the Moss Bluff Senior Center. Bill W. indicated that after both the Church and Park Boards vote to proceed, legal counsel will need to review the lease agreement before an official move date can be established. Chambers requested a tour of the Moss Bluff United Methodist Church to verify its suitability. Toni mentioned she will arrange the tour this week. Johns noted that the seniors who participate in activities at the Moss Bluff Senior Center are very grateful for everything the Park does for the center. Connie mentioned that the lease agreement requires some clarification. The lease agreement (1) needs to specify the leased areas, (2) the term is set for six months (dates to be corrected once dates are set); at the end of the original term of this lease will allow the option month to month for up to three months possibly, (3) this selection can be deleted as it does not apply, (4) the monthly rental amount is \$4,800.00 payable in advance on the 15th day of each month, (7) the second paragraph can be deleted as it doesn't apply, (9) the Church has not disclosed the amount of liability insurance yet, (15) the Church has not disclosed the sum of the damage and default deposit; the Board discussed the amount not to exceed one month rental fee, (17) can be deleted as it does not apply. Bill S. inquired whether the lease rental amount would be reimbursable by FEMA. Bill W. replied that it's something we could discuss with FEMA.

Bill Sommers made a motion to authorize the Park Board President, Bill Willis, to sign a lease agreement with Moss Bluff United Methodist Church for \$4,800 per month for an initial six-month term, with a month-to-month arrangement thereafter. This lease is to

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temporarily relocate the Moss Bluff Senior Center due to the Repairs and Renovations Project, with the deposit not exceeding one month's rental fee. Seconded by David. Motion passed unanimously.

Bill Sommers made a motion to go into executive session to discuss personnel. Seconded by David. Motion passed unanimously. 6:43PM

Bill Sommers made a motion to resume the regular session. Seconded by David. Motion passed unanimously. 7:15PM

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 Monday, August 19th, 6:00PM in an open-air conference room.

Bill Sommers made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Connie. Motion passed unanimously. 7:20PM

Minutes recorded and reported by Toni Wilcox.