

**COMMUNITY CENTER AND PLAYGROUND
DISTRICT 4 WARD 1
MEETING MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 21ST, 2026**

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

Board Members in attendance: Connie Hoffpauir, Mister Edwards, Shelby Duhon, Bill Willis and Bill Sommers.

In attendance: Hugh Black, William Wilcox, Mike Viator, Tommy Cryar, Madison Sommers, Toni Wilcox, and Krystan Statum.

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

Previous Meeting Minutes: The minutes from August 17th, 2026, were presented to the Board.

Bill Willis made a motion to accept August 17th, 2026, meeting minutes.

Seconded by Mister Edwards. Motion passed unanimously.

Treasurers Report: Krystan presented the Board with the Year-to-Date budget reports. Capital Account 773 was \$3,292,169.15. Community Center Maintenance budget 774 was \$7,847,921.83. Senior Center account 775 stood at \$794,682.79.

Committee Reports:

Parks: Toni updated the Board stating that Calcasieu Soccer Club has begun their season and will have final numbers for participation when Buddy Ball closes their registration.

Moss Bluff Youth Football has a record high this season for participation, 336 registrants.

Brother's Keepers, an adult organization that is faith based has begun their season and everything is going well.

Office: Toni informed the Board that a new tab on our website is now live, this new tab includes a question-and-answer page about Moss Bluff Recreation.

Connie and Shelby will work together to prepare and coordinate the upcoming election mailout and related information.

Senior Center: Monthly Birthday meal will be held this Friday, September 25th, 2026.

Capital Planning: Bill Willis asked if we could reach out to Brossett Architect to find out what would be needed to potentially begin the process of clearing and possible concepts for development of the old wetlands area on Jones Road that has been determined to no longer be wetlands.

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Old Business:

FEMA/Hurricane Laura and Delta: Toni provided the Board with a copy of the letter sent to Congressman Clay Higgins' office requesting assistance with FEMA-related matters. Several projects remain at a standstill pending a response from FEMA and a meeting to discuss all outstanding projects. The Board requested that the letter also be forwarded to the Calcasieu Parish Police Jurors for their awareness and support.

Scoreboard Project: David Brossett reported that the structures and scoreboards are installed on the east side of the facility. Power has not been connected yet.

Bleacher Canopies Project: David Brossett provided the Board with an update on the project, canopy foundation and anchor bolts are installed at Fields 4 and 5. Fields 1, 2 and 3 are started. Several locations on these fields encountered underground utilities and interferences when the concrete was removed for the foundations. Steel reinforcing and anchor bolts are all on site. New walkway to the school board parking area is complete.

New Business:

Orion Renewable Energy Group, LLC: Toni presented the Board with an agreement received by the office from a representative of Orion Renewable Energy Group, LLC. The Board deliberated on whether to submit the agreement to legal counsel for review and evaluation of its terms and conditions.

Shelby Duhon made a motion to have the agreement sent to legal counsel for review. Seconded by Mister Edwards. The motion resulted in a tie vote, (2) yays (Shelby Duhon and Mister Edwards) and (2) nays (Bill Sommers and Bill Willis). Board President Connie Hoffpauir cast the deciding vote in opposition, and the motion failed.

Guest Business: Mr. Hugh Black, a local resident in attendance, asked about the process used to approve capital projects. The approval process was explained to him; he was satisfied with the explanation.

Mr. Mike Viator stated that he was in attendance as a local resident and 50-year community member. He said he was present to listen to the discussion regarding Orion Renewable Energy on the agenda and to state that he is not in favor of the project.

Mr. Tommy Cryar was also in attendance and expressed the same position as Mr. Viator regarding the Orion Renewable Energy project.

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, October 19th, 2026, 6:00PM in the open-air conference room.

Bill Sommers made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Mister Edwards. Motion passed unanimously. 6:43PM

Minutes recorded and reported by Krystan Statum.