

Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of the Lafayette Parish Bayou Vermilion District
Held at Vermilionville, 300 Fisher Road Lafayette Louisiana
4:30 pm, December 16, 2015

Call to Order was given by President Richard at 4:30. **Roll Call:** Given by Secretary Commissioners Rodney Richard, David Barry, Benjamin Richard, Thomas Michot, John Troutman, Don McConnell and Derek Landry were present. Commissioners John Broussard and Kristie Cornell were absent. There was a quorum.

Approval of Minutes: **MOTION:** (D. Landry/ D. Barry) to approve the minutes as submitted for the November 18, 2015 meeting. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Introduction of Guest(s): Staff: CEO Cheramie, Erin Segura, Brady McKellar, Charissa Helluin, Greg Guidroz, Anne Mahoney, Millicent Norbert, Curtis Willingham and Kim Fournet.

Public Comment(s): There were no public comments.

President's Report: President had no report at this time.

CEO's Report: A copy of CEO Cheramie's report and coordinators reports (on file) were e-mailed and are in each Commissioner's binder. CEO discussed the issues associated with the I-49 project. The public is not pleased with the proposed route of I-49 which was recently published. CEO invited the board to join the employees for their annual Christmas party on December 17, at 4:00 in the restaurant.

Committee Reports:

Marketing/Public Relations: The committee did meet and representatives from Right Angle, Katie Falgout, Sarah Spell and Cheryl Bowie discussed Right Angle's strategy for the upcoming election in April. A power point presentation covering the Vermilion from pre 1927, the flood of 1927, the levy system, the increase in population and pollution, the formation of BVD and Vermilionville and to BVD's current efforts to keep the river clean. Right Angle has literature to leave behind after a speaking presentation to community groups. A media campaign to reach the people of Lafayette Parish to inform them of the work BVD does, the many events and activities at Vermilionville and the upcoming election will be utilized in the next few months.

Finance/Capital: The committee did meet to finalize the 2015 budget and the proposed 2016 budget.

Operations/Bayou/Maintenance: There was no meeting.

Environmental: There was no meeting. Commissioner Michot will keep close tabs with the water quality testing and HDR is moving along with the project.

Education/Programming: The committee did not meet.

Curatorial/Acquisitions: The committee did meet and discussed the lime wash on the chimney at Coussan House. A tester bed, dresser and armoire that were donated to Vermilionville have been refurbished by David Broussard.

New Business: Election of Officers. Rodney Richard nominated David Barry for President. **MOTION:** (R. Richard/ D. Landry) to close nominations and to accept the nomination of Commissioner Barry as President. All were in favor. Motion carried. David Barry nominated Rodney Richard for Vice President. **MOTION:** (D. Barry/D. McConnell) to close nominations and to accept the nomination of Commissioner R. Richard as Vice President. All were in favor. Motion carried. Rodney Richard nominated John Troutman as Secretary. **MOTION:** (D. Landry/T. Michot) to close

nominations and to accept the nomination of Commissioner Troutman as Secretary. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Commissioner Landry suggested that the Food and Beverage Department be assigned a committee.

Adjournment: MOTION: (T. Michot/D. Landry) Motion to adjourn. All were in favor. Motion carried.

/s/ David Barry
David Barry, President

/s/ John Troutman
John Troutman, Secretary