

Ponchatoula Area Recreation District No. 1
19030 Ponchatoula Park Dr.
Ponchatoula, LA 70454
Conference Room - Gym
Regular Board Meeting Minutes
July 17, 2025
6:00 p.m.

I. Call to Order: Terry Byers, Chairman

The public hearing was called to order by Terry Byers, at 6:03 p.m.

II. Roll Call: Terry Byers (P), Marshall Graves (P), Patricia Landaiche (A), Kyle Mitchell (P)

Christy Whitaker (P)

Visitors: Letisha Smith, Mark Verbois, Wesley Fletcher

III. Approval of Minutes: June 25, 2025 Minutes

Motion by Kyle Mitchell

Seconded by Christy Whitaker

Favor: 4 Opposed: 0 Abstained: 0 Absent: 1

IV. Approval of Financials: June 1-30, 2025

Motion by Kyle Mitchell

Seconded by Christy Whitaker

Favor: 4 Opposed: 0 Abstained: 0 Absent: 1

V. Public / Guest Comments:

Erica Kelly-Spencer & Erica Palmer – PHS Alumni Homecoming- Presented the plans for the event.

VI. Reports:

Director's Report – Mark Verbois

1. Reported that the fireworks were a success.
2. Reported that staff were continuing to work on the audit items. Mitchell asked Smith if she could add an inventory report to the agenda for the August meeting.

Assistant Director Report- Letisha Smith

1. Reminded the board of the upcoming Special meeting on July 31 at 5:30 to vote on the resolution to roll forward with the Tax assessment.
2. Plans to have the Budget for a mid-year review are postponed until the August meeting. She still needs to sit down with Verbois to go over the budget.

Facility Director Report-Wesley Fletcher

1. The maintenance crew got everything back to normal after the Fireworks show and is keeping up with the grass cutting and repairs. Nothing major is happening at this time.

VII. Old Business:

- a. Fireworks Show- Smith mentioned that 2026 would be the 25th year and the Nation's 250th year Celebration. She has been talking to Verbois and Christa Stewart, Community Outreach Coordinator, about a special celebration. She asked the board if they saw the need for any changes, and they were happy with how everything turned out.

VIII. New Business:

- a. AUP Update- Was brought up by the Director Verbois during his report.

IX. Chairman's Remark- Byers thanked everyone for the time they spent to come to the meeting.

X. Adjournment:

Motion by Kyle Mitchell for adjournment, seconded by Christy Whitaker

Favor: 4 Opposed: 0 Abstained: 0 Absent:

The meeting was adjourned at 6:32 p.m.

Terry Byers, Board Chairman

Letisha Smith, Executive Secretary