

**JEFF DAVIS PARISH TOURIST COMMISSION  
MINUTES OF MEETING  
DATE: June 12, 2018**

The meeting was opened, and the following attendance was noted:

Name	Representing	Present	Absent
Becky Hudson, Chairman	Welsh	X	
Lorraine Bertrand, Vice-Chairman	Elton		X
John Marceaux, Secretary/Treasurer	Lake Arthur	X	
Bobby Palermo	Lake Arthur	X	
Ronnie Petree	Welsh	X	
Kathleen LeBlanc	Lake Arthur	X	
Ryan Kitchen	Jennings	X	
Marion "Butch" Fox, Executive Director	Director	X	
Dione Sabelhaus, Marketing Director	Marketing Director	X	

**Guest Present:**

**Call to Order:** Becky Hudson called the meeting to order at 8:03am, Ronnie Petree led the prayer and pledge.

**Approval of Agenda** ~ a motion was made by Ronnie Petree and seconded by John Marceaux and passed unanimously to approve the June agenda.

**New Business:**

- Greg Marcantel with Spungold introduced the board the proposed 2017-2018 budget amendments, 2018-2019 budget, engagement agreement and joint Service Agreement with the City of Jennings. Our budget exceeds \$500,000.00, so we are required to publish in the newspaper to have a public hearing. The meeting will be on June 28, 2018 at the Tourist Commission Office at 8:00am.

**Approval of Minutes** ~ a motion was made by Ronnie Petree, seconded by Ryan Kitchen and passed unanimously to approve the minutes of April 2018 meeting.

a motion was made by Lorraine Bertrand, seconded by Bobby Palermo and passed unanimously to approve the minutes of May Special 2018 meeting

**Approval of Financials** ~ a motion was made by Ryan Kitchen, seconded by Ronnie Petree to approve February, March and April 2018 financial report, passed unanimously.

**Public Comments:** NA

**CEO/President report, Marion Fox**

- The Gator Chateau project is staying on track, they will pour the second round of concrete on Monday. Metal structure to follow.
- 5% cut on enterprise funds did not pass in Legislative session.
- Bayou Rum's event center will tentatively open in October.

**Marketing Director Report: Dione Sabelhaus**

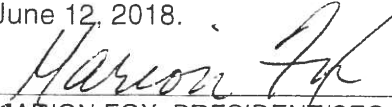
- 1,800 people went on the crawfish tours. This number included school and tour bus groups. Burt and I are working on having rice farm tours starting in the fall.
- Marion, Jamie and I will attend the Lt. Governors Summit in Lake Charles at Golden Nugget August 21 – 23, 2018. I will travel to Nashville, TN for TravelSouth Domestic Show November 25-29, 2018.

**Old Business:** N/A

**Announcements:** N/A

**Adjournment:** A motion was made by **Ryan Kitchen**, seconded by **John Marceaux** and passed unanimously to adjourn.

I, Marion Fox, certify that the above and foregoing constitute the minutes of the first meeting of the commissioners of the Jeff Davis Tourist Commission held on June 12, 2018.

  
MARION FOX, PRESIDENT/CEO  
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