# JEFF DAVIS PARISH TOURIST COMMISSION MINUTES OF MEETING

**DATE: August 11, 2020** 

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

Repr	esenting	Present	Absent
Chairman			X
Lorraine Bertrand, Vice-Chairman	Elton		Х
John Marceaux, Secretary/Treasurer	Lake Arthur	>	(
Roberta Palermo	Lake Arthur	>	(
Ronnie Petree	Welsh	>	(
Kathleen LeBlanc	Lake Arthur		х
Becky Hudson	Welsh	>	(
Buffie Crochet	Jennings	>	(
Marion "Butch" Fox, Executive Director	Director	>	(
Dione Sabelhaus, Marketing Director	Marketing Directo	r >	(

Guest Present: Mayor Henry Guinn; City of Jennings, Allison Cryer; Jennings Daily News, Angel Scott; JDP **Economic Development** 

Call to Order: Ronnie Petree called the meeting to order at 8:01am Ronnie Petree led us in prayer and John Marceaux led the pledge.

Approval of Agenda ~ A motion was made by John Marceaux and seconded by Becky Hudson, passed unanimously to approve the August 11, 2020 agenda.

Approval of Minutes ~ a motion was made by John Marceaux, seconded by Becky Hudson, passed unanimously to approve the minutes for June 2 and special meeting June 23, 2020, passed unanimously.

Approval of Financials ~ a motion was made by Becky Hudson, seconded by Roberta Palermo, to approval financials, passed unanimously.

### Public Comments ~ N/A

#### **Old Business:**

Ronnie Petree introduced our new Tourist Commission Board member Buffie Crochet. Buffie is replacing Ryan Kitchen for the Hotel/Motel seat.

## **New Business:**

- A was made by Ronnie Petree and seconded by Becky Hudson to table the engagement agreement with Greg Marcantel, CPA until next TC board meeting, Greg Marcantel was not present to introduce the agreement, passed unanimously.
- The Joint service agreement with the City of Jennings was approved by both parties.
- A motion made by Becky Hudson, seconded by John Marceau, to approve the Tourist Development & Marketing Grant for 4th Annual CRA Rodeo Association and Last Resort Car Show, passed unanimously

#### CEO/President report, Marion Fox:

In the last few months, we noticed condensation in electrical panel, light fixtures, windows and bathroom sensors. We also noticed black spots on ceiling tiles. We had the Gator Chateau Architect, engineer and Habetz Construction to come out here to see what could be done to fix the problems. Habetz replaced a few tiles with grids and put insulation between the pond and Tourist information walls. This didn't solve the problem, so they are still in the process of fixing the issues.

• A motion made by **Roberta Palermo**, seconded by **John Marceau**, to update the bylaws to reflect when the Tourist Commission Board meet which is every other month, **passed unanimously** 

## Marketing Director report, Dione Sabelhaus:

• One of the grants we applied for was with madden Media to do a visitor profile study on Jeff Davis Parish. This will help us to know where and to who we need to market our area.

Announcements: N/A

Visitors Count: June ~ 3028 July ~ 2205 Closed a week due to employee having covid

<u>Adjournment:</u> A motion was made by *Becky Hudson,* seconded by *Roberta Palermo* 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 February 4, 2020.

MARION FOX, PRESIDENT/CEO