



Vernon Parish Tourism Commission

MINUTES

April 16, 2019

VPTC BOARD MEETING ROOM

Mission Statement (Written 2005)

Mission Statement: To promote all facets of Tourism to the parish and state level.

- CALL TO ORDER:** The Vernon Parish Tourism Commission Board meeting for April 16th, 2019 was called to order at 9:00 AM by the Chairman, Elize Howerton.
- MEMBERS PRESENT:** Present were Commissioners Elize Howerton, Diane Barney, Bettye Davis, Tracy Kerlin, and Pat Martinez. Also present was John Crook, Executive Director, and Marcilla J. Cook, Administrative Assistant.
- PLEDGE:** Tracy Kerlin led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- INVOCATION:** Diane Barney gave the Invocation.
- MINUTES:** John Crook presented the Minutes of the March 19, 2019 board meeting.

Motion to accept the Minutes of the March 19, 2019 meeting as presented was made by Tracy Kerlin.
Seconded by Bettye Davis.
All Approved; So Moved.
- FINANCIAL STATEMENTS:** John Crook presented the Financial Statements for the Commission.

Motion to accept the Financial Statements showing All Funds for February 2019, No Projects Included for February 2019, BP 4 Project Only for February 2019, BP 5 Project Only for February 2019, showing All Funds for March 2019, No Projects Included for March 2019, BP 4 Project Only for March 2019, and BP 5 Project Only for March 2019 was made by Diane Barney.
Seconded by Pat Martinez.
All Approved; So Moved.
- DIRECTORS REPORT:** John also reported that Senator John Smith will support MayFest 2019 with \$15,000.00 from the Community Development Fund. MayFest will host the No Man's Land Bicentennial Celebration Travel Exhibit in the

hallway of the historic 1910 Vernon Parish Courthouse. There will be a Coffee Reception in the hall to open the exhibit on Saturday, May 4th, after the MayFest opening ceremony. The Fort Polk Static Display and Color Guard are being requested.

Motion to accept the Directors Report as presented was made by Pat Martinez.

Seconded by Diane Barney.

All Approved; So Moved.

OLD BUSINESS: 2018 Ethics Board Financial Disclosure Forms are due and need to be turned in to the secretary.

NEW BUSINESS: No new business.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business:

Motion to adjourn made by Tracy Kerlin.

Seconded by Bettye Davis.

All approved, so moved.

Vernon Parish Tourism Commission Action Items from March 19, 2019:

ACTION #1: **Tracy Kerlin** made a motion to approve the Minutes from the March 19, 2019 meeting. **Bettye Davis** seconded the motion. The motion passed.

ACTION #2: **Diane Barney** made a motion to approve the February and March 2019 Financials. **Pat Martinez** seconded the motion. The motion passed.

ACTION #3: **Pat Martinez** made a motion to approve the Director's Report. **Diane Barney** seconded the motion. The motion passed.

ACTION #11: **Tracy Kerlin** made a motion to adjourn. **Bettye Davis** seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted:

John R. Crook
Executive Director

Marcilla J. Cook
Executive Assistant