

**TERREBONNE PARISH VETERANS' MEMORIAL DISTRICT BOARD**  
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Mr. Ken Royston, President  
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Mr. C. J. Christ  
Mr. Richard Ricca, Chaplin

Mr. Edward Domangue, Jr.  
Mr. Ray J. Lapeyrouse  
Mr. Ed Pontiff

**BOARD MEETING**

Thursday, August 17, 2017

The meeting of the Terrebonne Parish Veterans Memorial District was called to order by Ken Royston, President at 5:00 p.m. in the 6th floor meeting room of the Government Tower.

Roll Call of Board Members:

Present: Mr. Ken Royston, Mr. Will Theriot, Mr. C.J. Christ, Mr. Edward Domangue, Mr. Ray J. Lapeyrouse, Mr. Richard Ricca, Mr. Ed Pontiff

Absent: Mr. Cliff Chaisson, Mrs. Kayla Duthu

Invocation by Richard Ricca  
Pledge of Allegiance by Ken Royston  
Roll Call by Will Theriot  
We had a Quorum

Minutes from June 15, 2017 meeting moved by Mr. C.J. Christ to accept. Second by Mr. Ed Pontiff. Motion passed.

Minutes from July 20, 2017 meeting corrected to show Veteran's Day celebration at Military Museum will be on November 12<sup>th</sup>. Motion to accept as amended by Mr. C.J. Christ. Second by Mr. Will Theriot. Motion passed.

Comments from the Public:

None.

Finance: See Handouts

Finance report given by Ms. Melissa Bourgeois. Motion by Mr. C.J. Christ and second by Mr. Ed Pontiff to approve paying the Outstanding Invoices total \$ 93,019.48. Motion passed.

Motion by Mr. Ed Domangue and second by Mr. Ray Lapeyrouse to reimburse the Regional Military Museum total \$11,670.71. Motion passed with C.J. Christ and Will Theriot abstaining from voting.

Motion by Mr. Ed Domangue and second by Mr. Richard Ricca to reimburse Veteran's Memorial Park total of \$400.00. Motion passed.

2017 Activity Financial Report ending July 31, 2017 Construction Bond Account

2017 Activity To Date: Revenues \$164.00

Total Expenditures: \$223,096

Motion by Mr. Will Theriot and second by Mr. Ray Lapeyrouse to accept both Revenues and Expenditures Financial report activity ending July 31, 2017. Motion Passed. See Handouts.

2017 Activity Financial Report ending July 31, 2017 Operating Account

2017 Activity To Date: Revenues \$245,961.59

Total Expenditures: \$110,172.00

Motion by Mr. Ed Pontiff and second by Mr. C.J. Christ to accept both Revenues and Expenditures Financial report activity ending July 31, 2017. Motion Passed. See Handouts.

Veterans Park Discussion and Committee:

Mr. Ed Domangue questioned how much money they have left in account for Park. Mr. Will Theriot advised they receive \$24,000 per year from Board. Discussion of how the Board gets information from Park on what they are spending money on. Discussed that the process has been changed for receiving bills from Park for bigger purchases. They must follow the procedure for the bids when making big purchases. Board can decide not to reimburse for invoices if the proper procedures weren't followed.

Regional Military Museum Report:

Mr. C.J. Christ asked that the Board drive around back of the museum, to see that the new building is off the ground, almost 50 feet tall in 3 different areas. The stairwell on both sides of the back of the building has to have tunnel for the fire escape. The small structure in the front is the elevator. Those are almost complete. They are very satisfied with the contractors and general outlook of the building. They will start putting the steel together next week. They agreed to spread dirt out as well. Contractors are the same ones that worked on the previous building. They are very satisfied with architect as well. This past Saturday, the museum was prepared for 17 boy scouts, 8 showed up to take out in landing craft. Boy scouts weren't prepared for rain. They toured the museum. Museum paid for Matt Porche and C.J. Christ to renew license. There will be 3 captains to run the boat. There will be a concert on September 10<sup>th</sup> at the Museum at 3pm. November 12<sup>th</sup> will be a big Veteran's day celebration.

Discussion of other matters:

Lee Schaffer came talk to the Board in July and asked the President of the Board to write letter to Parish President to state that they are in support of the efforts to establish a Veterans' Center. The Board agreed that the letter would state they are not offering financial support. The letter was written and sent to the Parish President. Mr. Schaffer sent email thanking the Board for hearing him out and offering support. Mr. Domangue questioned where the electricity the contractors used is being paid from. Mr. C.J. Christ and Mr. Will Theriot advised that the museum is paying the electricity, but they aren't using very much.

Adjournment: Motion by Mr. Richard Ricca and second by Mr. Ray Lapeyrouse to adjourn. Motion passed at 5:42 p.m.