

**BOARD MEETING  
FEBRUARY 2, 2012**

The meeting of the Terrebonne Veterans Memorial District Board was called to order by Ken Royston, Chairman of the Board, at 5:35 p.m. in the meeting room on the 6<sup>th</sup> floor of the Government Towers at 8006 Main St., Houma, La.

The Invocation was led by Lee Shaffer

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Ken Royston.

Roll Call of Board Members

Present were : Ken Royston, Will Theriot, John Hebert, C.J. Christ, Louise Moore, Lee Shaffer, Edward Pontiff. Absent : Hymel Henry and Louis Ruffin. Also present were Jamie Elfert, Mart Black and Larry Dupre.

Motion by C.J. Christ; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Will Theriot to accept the minutes of the meeting of January 12, 2012. Approved by the Board.

A request was made for comments from the public. C.J. Christ reported on the possible use of the Army Reserve Building on the Airbase for maintenance and storage of the Museum military vehicles. Motion by Will Theriot; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ed Pontiff to appoint C.J. Christ to gather information and meet with the Airport Commission and Parish Council and TARC on this matter. Approved by the Board.

Motion by Louise Moore; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Lee Shaffer to pay the 1<sup>st</sup> Bond payment in the amount of \$152,952.31. Approved by the Board

Motion by Louise Moore; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Lee Shaffer to approve the Monthly Financial Report. Approved by the Board. Copies attached . Jamie Elfert reported that the District Board had received \$557.36 in interest and that \$328,000.00 in tax receipts had been deposited.

The review and adoption of Financial Policies was postponed until the next Board Meeting

Motion by Lee Shaffer; 2<sup>nd</sup> by John Hebert to consider a Budget Amendment to transfer \$30,000 from Personnel Services to “Other Services and Charges to Fund a “Regional Museum Master Plan” upon submission to the Parish Council for ratification. During the discussion concerning this Motion, Marc Black recommended that we rename the Plan from “Master Plan” to “Strategic Plan” to focus on the operations and goals of the Museum. Lee Shaffer stated that the plan should also consider the best site for the

Museum, possibly close to HWY 90 to appeal to travelers as well as drawing people from Lafourche and St. Mary Parishes. C.J. Christ stated that the site should stay in the downtown Houma area. After this discussion a Motion was made to withdraw the current Motion by Lee Shaffer; 2<sup>nd</sup> by John Hebert and approved by the Board. A second Motion was offered by C.J. Christ; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Lee Shaffer to approve a “Regional Museum Strategic Plan” with a discussion for the funding to come at a later date. Approved by the Board with Will Theriot abstaining.

At this time, C.J. Christ requested that the minutes would show that he left the meeting. Also at this time Edward Pontiff, saying that he had another meeting to attend, left the meeting.

Veterans Park : Larry Dupre of T. Baker Smith showed us the initial drawings and plans for the bulkhead with the design flow of Little Bayou Black at Veterans Park. He also stated that the Field Survey had been completed and up next were permits from the Corp of Engineers and after that the Bidding Process.

At this time, Will Theriot requested that he would have to leave the meeting due to an illness in his family. Since at this time there ceased to be a quorum, there could be no more discussions related to the Park or any other business to be considered by the Board.

Motion by Will Theriot; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Lee Shaffer to adjourn meeting. Approved by Board. Meeting adjourned at 6:57 p.m.