

**TERREBONNE PARISH VETERANS' MEMORIAL DISTRICT BOARD**  
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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**

Tuesday, February 15, 2018

The meeting of the Terrebonne Parish Veterans Memorial District was called to order by Ken Royston, President at 3:00 p.m. in the 6th floor meeting room of the Government Tower.

Roll Call of the Board Members:

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

Absent: Mr. Will Theriot, Mrs. Kayla Duthu, Mr. Cliff Chaisson

Roll Call by Ken Royston

We had a Quorum

Invocation by Richard Ricca

Pledge of Allegiance by Ken Royston

Approval of minutes from meeting of Thursday, January 18, 2018: Motion made by Ed Pontiff and second by C.J. Christ to accept the minutes as prepared. Motion Passed.

Approval of minutes from meeting of Tuesday, January 23, 2018: Motion made by Ed Pontiff and second by C.J. Christ to accept the minutes as prepared. Motion Passed.

Comments from the Public:

None

Purple Hearts Bridge Discussion and Possible Action:

Ken Royston suggests the board let both sides present their case on whether the bridge is painted purple or not to the Council and let them handle it. Mr. Domangue advised that C.J. Trahan, who represents the Veteran Park, doesn't want any part of it anymore. Also, Christa Duplantis is supposed to be taking charge of issue. Edward Domangue made motion to remove the Board from discussion and take no more action on the matter. Second by Ray Lapeyrouse. Motion passed.

Clay Braud- Completion of Phase II:

C.J. Christ explained the Substantial Completion process. John Lyons from Providence came instead of Clay Braud. Explained punch list items and discussed things remaining to be done. Withhold a portion of payments until all work is completed. Trees that were on the punch list

have been taken care of. John also discussed the interior building design for the guardrails. See handouts. Exhibit B is already in budget. Exhibit A is the glass option which would be an extra expense. Asking for price from contractor on the cost of the tempered glass. Railings will be there. Discussion on safety and specifics for different options on railings. John Lyons presented the Certificate of Substantial Completion to be signed. Motion by C.J. Christ to authorize President Ken Royston to sign the Certificate of Substantial Completion. Second by Ed Pontiff. Motion carried.

Finance: See Handouts

Outstanding Invoices: (See Handout) Motion by C. J. Christ and second by Richard Ricca to pay \$190,884.70 in Outstanding Invoices. Motion Passed.

Regional Military Museum: (See Handout) Motion by Ed Pontiff and second by Ed Domangue to Reimburse the Regional Military Museum \$9,681.38. Motion Passed. C.J. Christ abstains from voting.

Veteran's Memorial Park: (See Handout). Motion by C.J. Christ and Second by Ray Lapeyrouse to Reimburse the Veteran's Memorial Park \$212.50. Motion Passed.

Capital Outlay Budge December 2017: \$1,172,958.00 (Building Construction) Motion by Richard Ricca and second by Ray Lapeyrouse. Motion Passed to accept the reading of the Financial Reports.

General Operating Fund: \$246,899.00 (O&M Available) \$212,807.00 (Expenditures) \$111,463.00 (End of Year). Motion by Ray Lapeyrouse and second by Edward Domangue. Motion Passed to accept the reading of the Financial Reports.

Capital Outlay Budge January 2018: \$306,052.00 (Building Construction) Motion by Ed Pontiff and second by Ray Lapeyrouse. Motion Passed to accept the reading of the Financial Reports.

General Operating Fund: \$197,215.00 (O&M Available) \$17,736.00 (Expenditures) \$290,942.00 (End of Year). Motion by Edward Domangue and second by Ed Pontiff. Motion Passed to accept the reading of the Financial Reports.

Veterans Park Committee:

None.

Regional Military Museum Foundation:

C.J. Christ informed the board that the trees have been planted. Approved by the Planning Commission for the magnolia tree. The building is cleaned up. They will level the dirt that is left so it doesn't continue to drain into the rent house. Discussed rent house that belong to the board. Former tenants were evicted and all belongings were moved out of the house. Lapeyrouse Home Improvements was hired to repair minor things in the house. Museum is managing the property at this time. A land owner near the rental property approached the Museum about renting the house to him, so he could rent it out. C.J. Christ is checking with the lawyers to discuss what the Museum and Boards' legal responsibilities would be for the property if this is done. Ed Domangue questioned what the storage unit is for. The storage unit houses the exotic weapons to prevent theft from the museum building. When the new building is secure enough, they are hoping to move those weapons there behind heavy glass. Annual meeting for the museum was held on the 14<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Richard Ricca was presented with a quilt for his service in Korea.

Mr. Christ also acknowledged the number of volunteers the museum has. There were 31 attendees to party for the volunteers. The museum is run by 2 employees with the assistance of these volunteers.

Discussion of other matters:

Next Month Meeting Will Be Held At 3 p.m. on Thursday, March 15, 2018.

Motion by Edward Domangue and second by C.J. Christ to adjourn. Motion passed, and meeting was adjourned at 4:13pm.