CITY OF PINEVILLE, LOUISIANA
Regular MEETING
Pineville DDD
October 14, 2024
**MINUTES**

The Board of Directors of the Pineville Downtown Development District met on Monday, October 14, 2024 at Noon in the City Council Chamber at Pineville City Hall, 910 Main Street, Pineville, Louisiana

1. Chairman Mike Tudor called the meeting to order

2. Commissioner Frank Jackson gave the invocation

3. Chairman Mike Tudor led the Pledge of Allegiance

4. Roll Call Present: Chairman Mike Tudor
Commissioner Kristetta Miller
Commissioner Frank Jackson
Commissioner Bradley Perkins
Commissioner Denise Jeansonne
Commissioner David Cohran
Commissioner Ryan Franklin

Absent:

Also present: Mayor Rich Dupree, Rebekah Stellwagon

5. A motion to accept June and August minutes was made by Commissioner Jackson and seconded by Commissioner Miller and upon unanimous vote it was approved.

6. A motion was made by Commissioner Cohran and seconded by Commissioner Miller to accept the Financial Report of the October 14, 2024 meeting. Upon unanimous vote it was approved.

7. A motion was made by Commissioner Perkins and seconded by Commissioner Cohran to open item 8 before item 7. Upon unanimous vote it was approved.

8. Chairman Tudor asks Mayor Dupree to explain the Capital Outlay Request. Mayor Dupree explains this would be for laying a water and sewer line along Rainbow Drive. He also presents a paper survey of central grounds. Commissioner Perkins asks if this resolution is to approve the Capital Outlay Request and the survey. Chairman Tudor explains the survey is just for viewing today, and not part of this resolution. Commissioner Jeansonne asks when we receive the money from the Capital Outlay where does it go? Chairman Tudor explains the City of Pineville would help assist us in the process. Commissioner Perkins asks if we would setup our own lamp account and if we would work with Tom David. Mayor Dupree confirms that Tom David would work with us on the Capital Outlay Request. A motion was made by Commissioner Miller and seconded by Commissioner Franklin to approve and ratify Chairman Tudor to sign the Capital Outlay Request.

7. Item 7 was discussed with item 8.

9. Chairman Tudor explains that he would like to keep the Chairman seat while we have a potential audit coming up. Commissioner Cohran agrees that he agrees with Chairman Tudor keeping the seat. Commissioner Perkins explains that there was a rule created for Charimans to only hold the seat for 1 year and he would be willing to name Tudor chair again, but retro to April of 2024. Rebekah reads the legislation that states that a chair will be nominated for a 1-year term, but shall be eligible for reelection. Rebekah also states the last election was in April of 2023, so we are 6 months behind in naming a new chair. Chairman Tudor asks if elections are supposed to be in April each year. Rebekah states that they have been different every time, but the last one was in April of 2023.

Commissioner Perkins says it should line up with appointment dates. Rebekah states there is nothing in the legislation on what time of year the appointments and elections take place. Chairman Tudor states that we should do this election retro for April 2024 to get bylaws, and other things in place. Commissioner Perkins nominated Commissioner Tudor for Chairman retro April 2024 to serve until April 2025. Commissioner Jackson made the motion to accept Commissioner Tudor as Chairman and Commissioner Miller seconded it. Chairman Tudor asked if there were any other nominations there being none he called for a vote and upon unanimous vote he was appointed. Commissioner Perkins nominated Commissioner Cohran for Vice-Chairman retro April 2024 to serve until April 2025. Commissioner Jackson made the motion to accept Commissioner Cohran as Vice-Chairman and Commissioner Miller seconded it. Chairman Tudor asked if there were any other nominations there being none he called for a vote and upon unanimous vote he was appointed. Commissioner Franklin nominated Commissioner Perkins for Treasurer-Secretary retro April 2024 to serve until April 2025. Commissioner Jeansonne made the motion to accept Commissioner Perkins as Treasurer-Secretary and Commissioner Jackson seconded it. Chairman Tudor asked if there were any other nominations being none he called for a vote and upon unanimous vote he was appointed.

Chairman Tudor asks for a vote to add an item to the agenda to engage legal counsel for the professional assistance for the Capital Outlay Requests, potential audits, and closely related matters. Commissioner Jeansonne raises concerns about defining a timeline for the legal counsel. Commissioner Perkins asks about how we budget for legal counsel with no specific timeline or guidelines. Chairman states he’s not looking for a marriage, he’s looking for a date. After discussion Commissioner Franklin made a motion to add item number 10 to the agenda and Commissioner Jackson seconded it.

10. A motion was made by Commissioner Jeansonne and seconded by Commissioner Perkins to engage legal counsel for the professional assistance for the Capital Outlay Requests, potential audits, and closely related matters upon unanimous vote it was approved.

The floor was opened for public comment. Mayor Dupree wanted to say thank you to each Commissioner who answered the call to serve on the board.

There being no further business to come before the Board, a motion to adjourn was made. On vote, the motion carried.

*/s/ Rebekah Stellwagon*______
Rebekah Stellwagon

**CERTIFICATE**

I, Rebekah Stellwagon, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing constitutes a true and correct record of the official action taken at a regular meeting of the Pineville Downtown Development District, in legal session convened, on the 14th Day of October, 2024.

*/s/ Rebekah Stellwagon*______
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