

**VII. Payment of Bills.:**

Chris Barrett moved to pay the invoices listed below. Gary Seemion seconded the motion. The motion carried.

	Vendor	Project	Pmt. No	Amount
1.	Brossett Architect	Alvin Dark Stadium Demo	1	\$ 7,250.00
2.	Kraus Construction	Alvin Dark Stadium Demo	1	7,200.00
3.	VSG Architect	Cougar Stadium Renovation	1	1,017.50
4.	CSRS INC	Cougar Stadium Parking lot	1	5,950.00
5.	CSRS INC	Cougar Stadium Parking lot	2	11,985.00
6.	Shannon Smith Const.	Foreman Reynaud Demo	2	134,730.00

VIII. Next Meeting Date: Wednesday, March 19, 2025

**IX. Motion For Adjournment:**

Chris Barrett moved to adjourn the meeting. Shawn Papillion seconded the motion. The motion to adjourn the meeting was approved. The meeting adjourned at 6:33 P.M.

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Sally Fenet, President

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Bobbie Jefferson, Administrative Secretary

### Huber Park

Hosting Social meetings during the week.

Hosted: A baby shower 2/1,2/8,2/15,2/22.

Hosted NAUW Teens 02/03.

Host Sisters of Survivors Breast Cancer Support Group 02/11.

Hosted Huber Park Community Neighborhood Watch Meeting 02/11.

### University Park

Programs are going well.

Hosted: A Bingo 01/06.

Baby Showers 01/18 & 1/25.

### Enos Derbonne

Offering many classes.

Pickleball is played Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Saturday.

Hosting: Lake Charles Cricket, Saturday and Sunday.

Yoga, chair yoga, line dances.

Hosted: Cajun-Elite Volleyball tournament 01/25 - 26.

Home school volleyball practices.

Grand Lake Girls softball will play games on fields 1,2 8, and 10.

3483 patrons used the facility in a month period.

### Power Centre

Hosting many classes during the week.

Hosted: Cajun Elite Volleyball Tournament 01/25 - 26.

Lake Charles Police Department Recruiting Camp 02/15/.

Scheduled to host a Senior Bingo 02/28, sponsored by Mr. Marshall Semien.

Will host a Sickle Cell Walk 04/26,

6856 patrons used the facility in a month period.

The director informed the Board about the meeting with CPPJ concerning the water issue at Enos Derbonne.

The Director and Board members will meet at Port Wonder, Monday at 8:15 A.M.

Youth basketball season started 02/15, 290 registered.

The adult basketball season started 02/03.

Buddyball basketball season started 02/15, 60 participants.

Hosting baseball practices at Power Centre Monday through Thursday.

Scheduled to host the 1st Baseball tournament of the year.

LaGrange High School will be the location for Ward 3 Recreation 2025 Track Season.

#### MLK

All programs are going well.

Hosting Youth Basketball games on Saturdays.

Served as a warming station for the winter event 1/20, 10 participants.

Will host a Mayoral Meet and Greet on 2/20 at 5:30 P.M. - 6:30 P.M.

1817 patrons used the facility in a month period.

#### Pryce-Miller

All programs are going well.

Hosted the Prostate Support Group

Hosted repass on 01/18/25 and 02/28/25.

Scheduled to host a Senior Mardi Gras Social 02/28/25.

Hosting 7 & 8 youth boys basketball games on Saturdays 3/29.

937 patrons used the facility in a month period.

#### Natatorium

Providing water aerobic class during the week.

Hosting Barbe & Bell City swim teams during the week.

Will host Lake Area Home School swim meet in March.

1265 patrons used the facility in a month period.

David requested authorization to allow him to advertise for the construction of the courts at University Park.

Mark Young moved to authorize David Brossette to advertise the construction of 3 pickleball courts at University Park. Gary Seemion seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

The pool will be recoated, and the playground will be resurfaced.

Mr. A. B. Franklin addressed the board to express his appreciation for its help in carrying out programs and all activities he made available for the district. He complemented the staff and administration for their co-operation, professionalism and willingness to ensure a successful event.

- D. Ralph Lewing thanked A. B. for working with him 20 + years ago to make Ward Three Recreation District facilities happen. It took a lot of diplomacy.

Mr. Mack Delafosse attended the meeting and announced that going forward he will probably attend most of the meetings as a concerned citizen.

- E. Litigation Update/Personnel - Executive Session

At 5:50 P.M. Chris Barrett moved to allow the Board to close the regular meeting and moved into executive session. Banette Williams seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

At 6:18 P.M. Mark Young moved to allow the Board to close the executive session and move back to the regular meeting. Chris Barrett seconded the motion. The motion carried.

- F. Director's Report - Kip Texada

Lake Charles Multi-Sports Complex

assistance given for the Bingo in which breakfast, lunch and to-go food was given to the attendees. There were 15 bingo games played and \$100 gift cards were the prizes. The Marshal's office has presented workshops on succession, wills, healthcare and bank fraud just to name a few public service offerings. Employees from his office have also visited with patrons at Enos Derbonne and University Park.

- B. Board Architects - Curtis Vincent & Justin Gautreaux, informed the board that they are trying to get a water wavier for the water line at Enos Derbonne. The project for the therapeutic pool and pickleball courts has an estimated cost of \$1.5 million. The water is for the sprinkler system. Currently there is no financial help from other entities for the project and they will not consider help for next 15 years. There will be 4 in-door and 4 outdoor options for pickleball courts. Bids will go out in 2 months.

Ralph Lewing suggested construction of the pickleball courts first, the natatorium and then the outdoor pool. He believes that the water situation will be worked out. There is an alternative plan. Sprinkler systems have auxiliary pressure.

- C. Board Architect - Curtis Vincent reported that he would like to advertise Cougar Stadium project in March,

Chris Barrett moved to authorize Curtis Vincent to advertise the Cougar Stadium project. Shawn Papillion seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

Chris Barrett moved to allow the construction of 4 indoor and 4 out-door pickleball courts at Enos Derbonne. Bannette Williams seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

David is moving forward with the construction at the Sr. Center. Dirt work begins next week.

Alvin Dark Stadium has been demolished, is gone. There are a few more areas to be removed. He is working on variances with the city. The project will be advertised in mid-March. Bids should go out in April; work begins in May. Alvin Dark Stadium construction should be completed by the End of The Year and will be operable in 2026.

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Chris Barrett, Mark Young, Judson McCord, Shawn Papillion, Bannette Williams

February 19, 2025

5:30 P.M.

- I. **Call to Order:** The Ward Three board meeting, was called to order by President, Sally Fenet at 5:30 P.M.
- II. **Pledge of Allegiance:** The Pledge of Allegiance was recited in unison by attendees and Gary Seemion gave the invocation.
- III. **Approval of Minutes:** Gary Seemion moved to approve the January minutes. Bannette Williams seconded the motion. The motion was approved.
- IV. **Roll Call:** Board members present were Sally Fenet, Gary Seemion, Chris Barrett, Mark Young, Bannette Williams and Shawn Papillion. Justin McCord was absent.  
Marshal Nate Keller, Board Architects Curtis Vincent, Justin Gautreaux, David Brossett, Board Liaison-Ralph Lewing, Mack Delafosse, and A. B. Franklin attended the meeting.
- V. **Old Business:** None
- VI. **New Business:**
  - A. Marshal Keller addressed the board and thanked them for help with the programs his office has presented. He is very appreciative of the