## Pineville Downtown Development District Regular Meeting

January 13, 2025 - Noon

## **MINUTES**

The Board of Commissioners of the Pineville Downtown Development District (PDDD) met in regular session on Monday, January 13, 2025, at Noon in the City Council Chambers at Pineville City Hall, 910 Main Street, Pineville, Louisiana

Chairman Tudor called the meeting to order.

Commissioner Franklin gave the invocation.

Chairman Tudor led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. Roll Call

Present:

Chairman Michael Tudor Commissioner Jimbo Graham Commissioner Frank Jackson Commissioner Bradley Perkins Commissioner Kristetta Miller Commissioner Denise Jeansonne Commissioner David Cohran

Absent:

None

- 5. A motion was made by Commissioner Cohran and seconded by Commissioner Jackson to accept the minutes of the December 9, 2024, regular meeting as published. On vote, the motion carried unanimously.
- A motion was made by Commissioner Jackson and seconded by Commissioner Miller to accept the financial report as stated by the Treasurer, Commissioner Perkins. On vote the motion carried unanimously.
- 7. A motion was made by Commissioner Jackson and seconded by Commissioner Jeansonne to approve a resolution hiring Rebekah Stellwagon as the Executive Director of the PDDD. A discussion regarding the duties and expectations of the Executive Director ensued that included, in general, the Executive Director will help to establish independence, in accordance with State Legislature, from the City of Pineville. As a full-time City employee, Mrs. Stellwagon will coordinate activities and conduct the business of the PDDD on her own time, and not that of the City's. She will also be the records custodian for PDDD records that will be located at City Hall through a CEA. On vote the motion carried unanimously. Roll call was as follows:

Yea:

Commissioners Tudor, Graham, Jackson, Perkins, Miller,

Jeansonne, Cohran

Nay: Abstain: None None

Absent:

None

8. A motion was made by Commissioner Graham and seconded by Commissioner Jeansonne to approve a resolution to establish Board officer elections at the first meeting in October of each year. This will enable officer terms to be aligned with Board member terms that end in September of each year. The Board operates on a Fiscal Year from October 1st to September 30th. Generally, Board elections will be the first agenda item, so officers can immediately begin that meeting. On vote the motion carried unanimously. Roll call was as follows:

Yea:

Commissioners Tudor, Graham, Jackson, Perkins, Miller,

Jeansonne, Cohran

Nay: Abstain: Absent:

None None

9. A motion was made by Commissioner Cohran and seconded by Commissioner Perkins to approve a resolution to appropriate \$750.00 for expenses related to a viewing stand/performance stop at the Old Town Hall, during the Pineville 2025 Marid Gras Parade. The money is expected to help cover the cost of a D.J. and character costumes for the individuals selected to interact with float captains. On vote the motion carried unanimously. Roll call was as follows:

Yea:

Commissioners Tudor, Graham, Jackson, Perkins, Miller,

Jeansonne, Cohran

Nay:

None

Abstain: Absent:

None None

- 10. Mr. Tom David, Pan American Engineers, presented the process for Request For Proposals (RFPs) related to the reuse of the grounds of old Central State Hospital, owned by the State Department of Health. He explained how the PDDD accepts considerations for redevelopment, with stipulations it determines. Then sends out an RFPs to meet Legislative Statutes in order to maintain an open competition for the proposed redevelopment.
- 11. A motion was made by Commissioner Tudor and seconded by Commissioner Jeansonne to approve a resolution authorizing Pan American Engineers to begin the RFP process on the redevelopment of the area of Central State Hospital known as "Central Midfield." On vote the motion carried unanimously. Roll call was as follows:

Yea:

Commissioners Tudor, Jackson, Perkins, Miller, Jeansonne,

Cohran

Nay:

None

Abstain:

Commissioner Graham

Absent:

None

At this time Chairman Tudor opened the floor up for any other business to come before the Council. No further comments were heard.

There being no further business to come before the Council, a motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Perkins and seconded by Commissioner Miller at 1:38 p.m. There was no discussion and the meeting was adjourned.

Rebekah Stellwagon, Executive Director

Michael Tudor, Chairman