ST. LANDRY PARISH TOURIST COMMISSION MONTHLY MINUTES Jan. 11, 2023

St. Landry Parish Tourist Commission held its monthly meeting at 5:30 p.m. Jan. 11 at 5:30 p.m. at Toby's Downtown in Opelousas.

<u>Present</u> <u>Not Present</u>

Guests Present

Herman Fuselier* Executive Director

None

Angelia Guillory

John Slaughter Yvonne Normand

Sylvia Guidry-Brown,

Lincoln Savoie

Mary Doucet, Delita Rubin Broussard Sarah Wise*, Marketing Director

Mary Hawkins*, Communications Manager

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	RECOMMENDATIONS / ACTIONS	FOLLOW-UP
Call to Order	President Sylvia Guidry-Brown called the Jan. 11 meeting/holiday dinner to order.	The minutes from the Dec. 14 meeting were accepted. (Motion is not necessary, only acceptance as presented)	Concluded
<u>Financial Report</u> General Fund	Parish occupancy tax collection for Nov. 2022 totaled \$28,180.81. The current balance in the General Fund, following payment of bills, totaled \$148,667.36.	A motion was made by Angelia Guillory to accept the financial report as presented. Delita Rubin Broussard second. Unanimously approved.	Concluded
St. Landry Parish Special Projects Account	Washington State Bank Account balance stands at \$294,130.22.		
Tourism Revival Fund	The account balance stands at \$171,177.29.		
Visitor Center Debt Service	Current balance, \$298,220.		

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Staff Reports	Reports had been emailed prior to meeting for review.	No other action needed.	Concluded
Herman Fuselier Executive Director	Fuselier reported 2023 goals include Datafy visitor analytics and Washington billboard partnership.		
Mary Hawkins Communication Manager	Hawkins's goals include expanded social media postings, along with an increase in blogs and festival attendance.		
Sarah Wise Marketing Director	Wise plans to increase Allons Manger! participation and more promotion of birding and the parish's Spiritual Trail.		
New business Tourist Commission vacancy	Fuselier reported Lincoln Savoie resigned for health reasons, effective immediately. Parish Council was notified with an official letter and will begin advertising the vacancy soon.	No other action needed.	Ongoing
Meeting Adjourned	Next regular meeting for 5:30 p.m. Feb. 8 at the St. Landry Parish Visitor Center in Opelousas.	Mary Docuet moved that with no further business to discuss, the meeting be adjourned. Angelia Guillory second. Unanimously approved.	Concluded