

ST. LANDRY PARISH TOURIST COMMISSION
MONTHLY MINUTES
Sept. 14, 2022

St. Landry Parish Tourist Commission held its monthly meeting Wednesday, Sept. 14 at 5:30 p.m. at the SLP Visitor Center in Opelousas.

Present

Herman Fuselier* Executive Director

Mary Doucet, Angelia Guillory

Sylvia Guidry-Brown, Link Savoie

Delita Rubin-Broussard

John Slaughter

Mary Hawkins*, Communications Manager

Not Present

Yvonne Normand

Sarah Wise, Marketing Director

Guests Present

Charlie Jagneaux, Clerk of Court

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	RECOMMENDATIONS / ACTIONS	FOLLOW-UP
<u>Call to Order</u>	President Sylvia Guidry-Brown called the Sept. 14 meeting to order.	The minutes from the Aug. 10 meeting were accepted. (Motion is not necessary, only acceptance as presented)	Concluded
<u>Presentation</u>	Clerk of Court Charlie Jagneaux inquired about Tourism Revival funding for a grant writer at his new archives.	John Slaughter asked that the candidate attend a meeting to detail his credentials and tourism goals.	Ongoing
<u>Financial Report</u> General Fund St. Landry Parish Special Projects Account Tourism Revival Fund Visitor Center Debt Service	Parish occupancy tax collection for July 2022 totaled \$37,188.54. The current balance in the General Fund, following payment of bills, totaled \$279,803.28. Washington State Bank Account balance stands at \$240,602.10. The account balance stands at \$202,909.1581. Current balance \$298,220.	A motion was made by Mary Doucet to accept the financial report as presented. Angelia Guillory second. Unanimously approved.	Concluded

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<u>Staff Reports</u> Herman Fuselier Executive Director Mary Hawkins Communication Manager	Reports had been emailed prior to meeting for review. Fuselier reported new IT equipment has been installed at the Visitor Center, tower lights repaired. Hawkins explained the countries of Czechia and Seychelles were top visitors on the CajunTravel.com web site.	No other action needed.	Concluded
<u>Old business</u> 2021 Audit update <u>New business</u> Sacred Spaces?" debut sponsorship VEF resolution Oct. 12 meeting date	Fuselier said after a delay, the parish government audit was complete, with bound copies available to review. Fuselier explained partnership with Lafayette Travel to sponsor "Sacred Spaces?," a musical based on the 2019 church arsons. The event debuts Sept. 17-18 in Denver, CO. Fuselier requested Resolution of Authority needed for annual Visitor Enterprise Funds from the state. Fuselier asked to change meeting date to Oct. 13 as staff attends TBEX North America 2022 at the Cajundome.	No other action needed. No other action needed. A motion was made by John Slaughter to accept the resolution. Link Savoie second. Unanimously approved. Mary Doucet made a motion to change the date. Delita Rubin-Broussard second. Unanimously approved.	Concluded Concluded Ongoing Concluded
<u>Meeting Adjourned</u>	Next regular meeting for 5:30 p.m. Oct. 13 at the Visitor Center (tentative).	Link Savoie moved that with no further business to discuss, the meeting be adjourned. Delita Rubin-Broussard second. Unanimously approved.	Concluded