

37,716.16ST. LANDRY PARISH TOURIST COMMISSION
MONTHLY MINUTES
February 21,2018

St. Landry Parish Tourist Commission met on Wednesday, February 21, 2018 at 3:00PM, in Opelousas at the Le Vieux Village Center.

<u>Present</u>	<u>Not Present</u>	<u>Guest Present</u>
Suzanne LaHaye	Mary Doucet	
Ginger Lecompte	Wil Giron	
Kelly Pitre		
Yvonne Normand		
John Slaughter		
Caitlin Bussey*		
Celeste Gomez*		
Sarah Wise*		

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<u>Call to Order</u>	Chairman Ginger Lecompte called the February meeting to order.	The minutes for the January meeting were accepted as presented. Approved unanimously.	Concluded.
<u>Financial Report</u> General Fund St. Landry Parish Special Projects Account Visitor Center Debt Service	Parish Occupancy tax for the month of December totaled \$37,716.16. The current balance in the General Fund, following payment of bills, is \$192,368.78. Total taxes collected for 2017 equaled \$412,161.02. A 3% decrease from 2016. Washington State Bank Account balance stands at \$178,541.73. This reflects bond payment #16 of 30 in amount of \$126,875.00, with amount for 75% of #25 to be determined and paid. Current balance \$805,000.00.	A motion was made by Yvonne Normand to accept the financial report and to pay the bills. Kelly Pitre seconded. Unanimously approved. (Motion is not necessary, only acceptance as presented) *Note – Public comment was called for and none was heard.	Concluded.
<u>Staff Reports</u> Sarah Wise Marketing Director	Complete report provided in packets. .		
Caitlin Bussey Communications Manager	Complete report provided in packets.		
Celeste Gomez Executive Director	Report provided in packets.		

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<p><u>Unfinished Business</u> Amede Ardoin Statue Unveiling – March 11</p>	<p>Details were presented concerning the upcoming event. Commissioners will travel to see statue at conclusion of today's meeting.</p>	<p>No Actions Needed.</p>	<p>Ongoing.</p>
<p><u>New Business</u> Election of Officers 2018</p>	<p>Following nominations were made: Suzanne LaHaye – President Kelly Pitre – Vice Yvonne Normand – Secretary Wil Giron - Treasurer</p>	<p>Motion made by John Slaughter to close the nominations and vote for slate as presented. Seconded by Suzanne LaHaye. Unanimously approved</p>	<p>Concluded.</p>
<p><u>Grant Application</u> None for consideration</p>			
<p><u>Meeting Adjourned</u></p>	<p>Next Meeting Wednesday March 14, 2018 at SLP Visitor Center in Opelousas. 5:30PM</p>	<p>Kelly Pitre moved that with no further business to discuss, the meeting be adjourned. Seconded by Yvonne Normand. Unanimously approved.</p>	<p>Concluded.</p>