



METAIRIE BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT **VIRTUAL BOARD MEETING**

DATE: Monday January 24, 2022
TIME: 4:30 p.m.
PLACE: Drago's Conference Room and Zoom

AGENDA

- I. Call to Order
- II. Confirmation of Quorum – **Joseph R, Andrew W, Dana P, Brian L, Pat L, Tommy C and Mel G**
- III. Public Comment
 - a. **None – Guests Maggie Woodruff and Melissa O’Neal**
- IV. Approval of Minutes from 12/13/2021 – **Motion – Dana P, Second – Pat L, All Approved**
- V. Approval of December Financials – **Motion – Dana P, Second – Andrew W, All Approved**
- VI. MBDD Audit and Insurance Update
 - a. **Renewal for 3 years with our audit firm at \$6,000 per year.**
 - b. **Insurance all up to date for the MBDD as well.**
- VII. Council or Parish Comments
 - a. **EAT Fat City Center has a few legal issues to address but should be solved at a 1/26/22 meeting.**
 - b. **MBDD will be contacted soon about the space allocation for office space in the new center**
 - c. **Crime Report – The Severn break in suspects have been caught**
- VIII. Director Report
 - a. ARPA Task Force Update
 - i. **MBDD to get on the list of reviewed projects**
 - ii. **Up to the council now on ranking of priority**
 - iii. **Board would like to see the presentation and the final ARPA list that is submitted.**
 - b. Land projects Update
 - i. **See motions below**
 - c. Core Construction Update
 - d. Severn Ave Project Update
 - i. **Get to Mardi Gras, then Ash Wednesday the crews will be back on it**
 - ii. **Safe for paraders to go is a concern**
 - iii. **Mel G would like a NO LEFT TURN sign at 16th and Severn to prevent the issues occurring there**
 - iv. **Request to have the curbs backfilled before Mardi Gras**



IX. New Business

- a. **Dana requested and motioned that the MBDD only discuss the property on Hessmer Ave for the playground/tot lot only be a purchase and not a lease.**
 - i. **Motion – Dana P, Second – Barry B, All Approved**
- b. **Apartments at the end of 18th Street and Division may be available for sale**
 - i. **Parish doesn't have interest in that land per Jennifer VanVrancken**
 - ii. **MBDD would be willing to build a playground on that land**
 - iii. **Zoned general office currently**
 - iv. **Motion to begin to negotiate with Walter Chin and Associates about the building and possible sale.**
 1. **Motion – Dana P, Second – Joseph R, All Approved**
- c. **MBDD would like to move their banking relationship from Whitney Bank to Citizen's National Bank.**
 - i. **Board Members agree it is time to make a change.**
 - ii. **Motion to move bank accounts from Whitney Bank to Citizen's National Bank and maintain the same signers on the account. Dana P, Tommy C and Barry B.**
 1. **Motion – Dana P, Second – Capt. Andrew W, All Approved**

X. Adjournment

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