



**SULPHUR PARKS AND RECREATION (SPAR)
Special Called Board of Commissioners Meeting
Held at the SPAR Recreation and Aquatic Center Multipurpose Room
933 W. Parish Road Sulphur, LA 70663
Monday, June 10, 2024, 5:30 P.M.**

The Board of Commissioners of Sulphur Parks and Recreation (SPAR) met at 5:30 pm on Monday, June 10, 2024, in the multipurpose room at SPAR Recreation and Aquatic Center in Sulphur, Louisiana for the special called board meeting. The meeting was called to order and a roll call was taken. Board members present were Don Martin, Mike Boyette, David Devall, Len Lemelle, and David Couvillon.

The director, Ms. Laurie Koelzer, reviewed Use of SPAR owned Facilities by outside organizations. Ms. Koelzer reviewed the items related to SPAR's authority and legal compliance of such business.

- Legislative Act No. 82, House bill No. 261
- Legislative Auditor's Cabela's Test and Cooperative Endeavor Agreements
- Cooperative Agreements with Calcasieu Parish School Board from 2004, 2015, various Memorandums of Understanding, and Rental agreements.

Sulphur High School addressed the Board on the following topics:

- Girl's softball facility like boys. (SHS Principal David Pool)
- SHS turf replacement this year. (SHS Principal David Pool)
- McMurry Baseball Turf complex use. (SHS Baseball Coach Thomas Tillery)

Ms. Koelzer expressed the need for a review of Sulphur High access and use of SPAR-owned facilities. Principal Pool and Head Baseball Coach Thomas Tillery were in attendance to speak on the relationship with SPAR and the need for continued use of SPAR facilities. The board discussed the priorities for scheduling SPAR facilities while maintaining a working relationship with Sulphur High School. Judge Quirk, representing the Calcasieu District Attorney's office, shared his opinion of the need for an updated Cooperative Endeavor Agreement to protect both SPAR and SHS and to comply with state law.

During the open discussion, presentation of the proposed public access policy for indoor batting cages for the benefit of all district residents was skipped. This item will be added to the June 18, 2024, agenda.

The director, Ms. Koelzer, provided update on the progress of the North Frasch Softball Enclosed Batting Cage. The item will be placed out for bid; results of which will be presented to the board for acceptance or rejection.

On a motion by Mr. Couvillon, seconded by Mr. Boyette, and carried, the board tabled action on the request by Mr. Pool to participate in funding for turf resurfacing at the Sulphur High School Football Stadium. Mr. Couvillon requested that Mr. Pool gather additional information about other funding sources and to provide an account of how much funding, after all other resources and opportunities were exhausted, SHS would request from SPAR.

After discussion on the use and access by SHS Baseball of the enclosed batting cages, locker room, offices, and fields at McMurry Turf Fields 40 and 41, the board, on a motion by Mr. Couvillon, seconded by Mr. Boyette, and carried following a unanimous roll call vote, authorized staff and board representative, Len Lemelle, to work with SHS representative and Legal Counsel to develop a new Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with Calcasieu Parish School Board and Sulphur High School, to guide future access for sports facilities owned by SPAR. Roll Call results as follows:

YES: (5) Martin, Boyette Devall, Lemelle, Couvillon
NO: (0)
ABSTAIN: (0)
ABSENT: (0)

All business taken care of, a motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Couvillon, seconded by Mr. Boyette, and carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:15 pm.

Approved (Board Member)

Attested