

Regular Board Meeting Minutes
August 10, 2026, 6:00 p.m.
Floyd Glass Conference Room
Coquille Parks and Recreation
13505 Highway 1085
Covington, LA 70433

I. Call to Order

Kyle Matthews called to order the regular meeting of Recreation District No. 14 at 6:00 p.m. on August 10, 2026, at Coquille Parks and Recreation, 13505 Highway 1085 Covington, LA 70433.

II. Roll Call

Richard Bentley-Smith conducted a roll call. The following persons were present: Kyle Matthews, David Pittman, Kevin Barnes, Deepa Woods, and Tim Bounds. Kyle France was absent. Joe Prisco's position vacant.

III. Approval of July Meeting Minutes

a). Motion on behalf of Kevin Barnes, seconded by Deepa Woods. Motion passes. Roll call: Ayes – Kevin Barnes, David Pittman, Kyle Matthews, Tim Bounds, and Deepa Woods. Nays – None. Abstain – None. Absent – Kyle France. Vacant – Joe Prisco.

IV. Public Comments

- No reports.

V. Reports

- Chairman Report (Kyle Matthews)
 - Busy month
 - Personnel issues
- Executive Director Report (Richard Bentley-Smith)
 - Camp Coquille
 - Last day was last Friday
 - Youth Sports
 - Flag football – games have begun
 - Indoor volleyball – practices have begun
 - Tackle football – practices have begun
 - Baseball, softball and soccer registration closed
 - Forming teams over the next week
 - Evals on Friday and Saturday

- Special Events
 - Car show on August 9, 2026 – great turn out and lots of activities for kids
 - Elvis Bingo on August 15
- The River Mill
 - Meetings are on-going for The Saw Mill – moving into the building in September
- Request to table financials to next month
 - Nothing to report
 - Short turn around and still working on reconciliation
 - We will send to finance later this week for review
- Facility Director Report (Bill Trepagnier)
 - Dog Park
 - Handling some punch list items for opening
 - Spraying the fence line for weeds and cutting underbrush around trees
 - Fields 11-13; Great Lawn, Field 7
 - Goals have been moved into place for the season
 - Added sod in some areas
 - Field 1-3, 14
 - Sod added around pitching mounds
 - Library field has been prepped for rugby program
 - Fields are very dry and running irrigation daily on all fields
 - Need rain
- Programs Committee (David Pittman, Kevin Barnes, Kyle Matthews)
 - No report.
- Personnel Committee (Kevin Barnes, David Pittman, Kyle France)
 - Looking to restructure and streamline job duties
 - Lost personnel and support staff
 - Met with various staff members in July
 - Work with Jeb to get him help prior to next board meeting
- Finance Committee (David Pittman)
 - No reports.
- Construction Committee (Kyle Matthews)
 - Pond Excavation Project:
 - 6" HDPE Domestic Water line is 95% completed. Contractor is pressure testing the pipe. Remaining is the cutoff valve installation near the splash pad and approximately 40 ft. on the South end which requires a mechanical fitting for the existing cutoff valve.
 - Dry pond behind field 8 has been excavated.

- Dwyer pond is being drained. Excavation is expected to begin. We need to reroute the effluent drain line from the sewerage pump station behind field 6 to Tallow Creek which now drains into the pond.
- River Mill Storage Building - JFDS
 - Project was bid July 28th
 - DNA construction was the low bidder
 - Pre-construction meeting was held Wednesday, August 5th
 - Notice to proceed and contract were signed last week.
 - Awaiting confirmation from the Parish for the permit as they requested a certificate of elevation which was sent by KMA last Friday.
 - Contractor is ready to excavate the foundation and bore the electrical conduit.
- Road Rehab:
 - Project bid Thursday, July 22nd
 - Micon Services was the low bidder
 - Project has started. Demolishing of the existing sidewalks, forming of new sidewalks, and some milling has taken place.
- Dog Park:
 - Roofing panels at the dog splash pavilion will be installed tomorrow
 - Plumber has trimmed the bathroom. Awaiting the water fountain install.
 - Working with CLECO for a meter installation which will require a final electrical inspection.
 - Joey contacted the original fence installer, AMCO. Awaiting their price for completion of the hwy fence and some interior fencing.
 - Met with Microland and REV for camera installation. Ricky Lee is working on the 2 ½" x 2 ½" x 14' long steel square tubing to install for the cameras at the gates.
 - Signs have not been finalized.
 - Contractor has 7 waste stations to install.
 - 37 feet of 6" curbing which holds the decomposed granite needs CO approval and installation
- Field 14 Batting Cage:
 - Received permit drawings from JFDS
- Hwy 1077 Landscaping and Signage
 - Signage is being fabricated
- Field 8
 - Permit approved by the Parish
- ADA Upgrades
 - DDG is developing the package

- Football Shade for Field 9
 - All material has been ordered and is being delivered
- Madisonville Youth Boosters
 - Megan Edwards – spent 2 years on sponsorship/marketing, is now Vice President
 - Jason Reibert new President
- Miracle League (Tim Bounds)
 - Fall ball Sept. 12
 - Boots vs Bages Sept. 19
- Contract Review Committee (Kyle France)
 - Beginning to meet with MYB for CEA renewal
- Coquille 2040 (Kevin Barnes and Deepa Woods)
 - No reports.

VI. New Business

a). Approval of Accounts Payable – Tabled to September

RESOLUTION 2026-35

MOTION TO TABLE ACCOUNTS PAYABLE TO SEPTEMBER

YEAS: 5, NAYS: 0, ABSTAINED: 0, ABSENT: 1, VACANT: 1

Public Comments: None

Motion on behalf of Deepa Woods, seconded by Kevin Barnes. Motion passes.

Roll call: Ayes – Kyle Matthews, Kevin Barnes, David Pittman, Deepa Woods, and Tim Bounds. Nays – None. Abstain – None. Absent – Kyle France. Vacant – Joe Prisco.

b). Approval of next Board Meeting: September 14, 2026, at 6:00pm

Roll call: Ayes – Kyle Matthews, Kevin Barnes, David Pittman, Deepa Woods, and Tim Bounds. Nays – None. Abstain – None. Absent – Kyle France. Vacant – Joe Prisco.

VII. Adjournment

Kyle Matthews adjourned the meeting at 6:28p.m.

Olivia Harper, Executive Secretary
Recreation District No. 14