



Hendry-LaBelle Recreation Board
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September 17, 2024

A regular meeting of the Hendry-LaBelle Recreation Board was held on the above date at 5:30 PM at the Hendry-LaBelle Recreation Office, 310 Cowboy Way, LaBelle, Florida.

City Commissioner/Chairman, Daniel Akin, called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM.

Opening Prayer was led by County Commissioner Emory “Rowdy” Howard.

Everyone stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members present were, City Commissioner/Chairman Daniel Akin, County Commissioner Emory “Rowdy” Howard, City Commissioner Bobbie Spratt, and Director Steven Lynn.

Bids: None

Consent Agenda: Approval of August 15, 2024, Minutes and bills:

City Commissioner Bobbie Spratt asked for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. County Commissioner Emory “Rowdy” Howard Seconded. All were in favor. Motion passed unanimously.

Awards, Appearances, and Presentations: None.

BOBBIE SPRATT	PAUL SAMERDYKE	DANIEL AKIN	MITCHELL WILLS	EMORY “ROWDY” HOWARD
City Commissioner	School Board Member	City Commissioner/Chairman	County Commissioner	County Commissioner

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Correspondence (FYI): None.

Staff Reports: Director Steven Lynn gave an update on the progress made at the major field at Davis-Pratt.

Director Lynn proposed the purchase of a paint machine from TinyMobileRobots, which would help reduce field painting costs. County Commissioner Emory “Rowdy” Howard motioned for tentative approval, suggesting an emergency meeting to address outstanding questions about the machine. City Commissioner Bobbie Spratt seconded the motion, which passed 2-1. The emergency meeting will take place on September 24, 2024.

Director Lynn also presented the budget for the 2024-2025 fiscal year. County Commissioner Howard moved to approve the budget, which includes revenues of \$676,171 for primary funding and \$807,724 for Forrey. Commissioner Spratt seconded the motion, and it passed 2-1.

Hearing of the public: Sherri Walker spoke about the Rodeo Grounds, expressing her gratitude to Director Lynn for the recent purchase of the drag. She also suggested using user fees to reinvest into the recreation board.

Felipe Delgado presented LaBelle Premier FC to the board and community, offering support in any way possible. Additionally, LaBelle Premier made a donation to the civic park.

Reports and other Business: None.

Agenda Additions: None.

Motion for meeting to adjourn was made by City Commissioner Bobbie Spratt and seconded by County Commissioner Emory “Rowdy” Howard. All in favor, motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Akin adjourned the meeting. The meeting was dismissed at 6:51 p.m.

BOBBIE SPRATT
City Commissioner

PAUL SAMERDYKE
School Board Member

DANIEL AKIN
City Commissioner/Chairman

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County Commissioner

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