

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING

NATCHITOCHE PARISH COMMUNICATIONS DISTRICT

2:00 p.m. TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2025

ROOM 116 A

NATCHITOCHE PARISH COMMUNICATIONS DISTRICT 9-1-1 CENTER

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Wynn called the regular meeting of the Natchitoches Parish Communications District to order on Tuesday, February 18, 2025 at 2:00p.m. in the Natchitoches Parish Communications District 9-1-1 Center, Room 116 A, Natchitoches Parish Louisiana.

PLEDGE AND PRAYER

Commissioner Kerry offered the Prayer. Commissioner Kerry led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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Chairman Wynn asked for a motion to suspend the regular meeting for the 988 Presentation. Motion by commission Kerry, seconded by Commissioner Keel. Roll call vote recorded as follows: *Nikeo Collins, YES; Mary Jones, YES; Eric Keel, YES; Mark Kerry, YES; Stuart Wright, YES; John Wynn, YES; Absent: John Salter, Michael Sesevold, and Calvin Braxton. Motion Passed*

988 PRESENTATION- Dianna Thomas is the education and outreach person for 988 spoke on how the program operates. The idea behind 988 is simple, mental health crisis need a mental health response. When someone contacts 988, a trained crisis counselor will answer. They listen to the person and provide support and share resources, as needed, 988 crisis counselors are trained to help in a variety of crises situations, and no one is required to disclose any personal information to receive help. The goal of 988 implementation legislation is to change the way our community responds to people in a mental health crisis, including reduce the role of law enforcement, end the revolving door of ER visits, arrest and incarceration, and instead build a system that can de-escalate mental health crisis and connect individual care.

988 Crisis Response System:

1. CRISIS CALL CENTER 2. MOBILE CRISIS TEAMS 3. CRISIS STABILATION PROGRAMS.

CADA COUNCIL ON ALCOHOLISM & DRUG ABUSE OF NORTH LOUISIANA- Tenisha LeSane is the outreach person for CADA. CADA mobile response team is a community resource that help people in crisis connect to the appropriate level of care, reduce the need for hospitalization, and decrease the time spent by law enforcement and emergency department personnel.

At the Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse of NWLA, (CADA's) mission is to educate, counsel and treat people of all ages who suffer from alcoholism and other addictive diseases. Our accredited addictive centers in Shreveport and Bossier City, Louisiana accept admissions seven days a week, we serve men and women though out Louisiana. We offer a high-intensity

residential substance abuse treatment program for all adults, including pregnant women. Our residential treatment center located in Bossier City, Louisiana, offers 24/7 care to those who need immediate help.

Chairman Wynn asked for a motion to return to the regular board meeting at this time. Motion by Commissioner Collins, second by Commissioner Kerry. Roll call vote recorded as follows: *Nikeo Collins, YES; Mary Jones, YES; Eric Keel, YES; Mark Kerry, YES; Stuart Wright, YES; John Wynn, YES; Absent: John Salter, Michael Sesevold, and Calvin Braxton.*

INTRODUCTION OF GUEST/PUBLIC COMMENTS

Laquita Collins, Billy Meziere, Susan Johnson, Chairman Wynn thanked everyone for coming. No comments.

ROLL CALL

Roll call was conducted by Bernice Wallace. Commissioners present: *Nikeo Collins, Mary Jones, Eric Keel, Mark Kerry, Stuart Wright and John Wynn. Absent: John Salter, Michael Sesevold and Calvin Braxton.*

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Chairman Wynn asked for a motion to approve the agenda. Motion by Commissioner Collins, seconded by Commissioner Keel. Roll call vote recorded as follows:

Nikeo Collins, YES; Eric Keel, Yes; Mark Kerry, YES; Stuart Wright, YES; John Wynn, YES: Absent: Michael Sesevold, John Salter and Calvin Braxton. Motion Passed

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chairman Wynn asked for a motion to approve the minutes of our last meeting. Motion by Commissioner Kerry, seconded by Commissioner Wright. Roll call vote recorded as follows:

Nikeo Collins, YES; Eric Keel, YES; Mark Kerry, YES; Stuart Wright, YES; John Wynn, YES; Absent: John Salter, Michael Sesevold, Calvin Braxton. Motion Passed

FINANCIAL REPORT

Chairman Wynn asked for a motion to accept the Financial report as presented. Where budget to actual comparisons were sited. Motion by Commissioner Kerry, seconded by Commissioner Keel. Roll call vote recorded as follows: *Nikeo Collins, YES; Eric Keel, YES; Mark Kerry, YES; Stuart Wright, YES; John Wynn, YES; Absent: John Salter, Michael Sesevold, Mary Jones and Calvin Braxton. Motion Passed*

911 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT- Executive Director Kim Tolliver reported on the following:

CALL VOLUME REPORTS -No reports at this time. Our ECATS system is down.

NATCOM ETHICS/SEXUAL HARASSMENT REMINDERS - Friendly reminder all Commissioner who I have not received a certificate from please do so.

9-1-1 ADDRESS COORDINATOR REPORT- During the month of January, 2025 the addressing office processed (8) new addresses for residence and (1) updates in the Parish in Natchitoches Parish. The activity resulted in (258.4) miles being traveled throughout the Parish consuming some (17.5) hours of personnel time while conducting site surveys and collections of GPS data. Ordered (0) road signs. Chairman Wynn asked for a motion to accept the Director's report as presented. Motion by Commissioner Collins, seconded by Commissioner Keel. Roll vote recorded as follows: Nikeo Collins, *YES*; Eric keel, *YES*; Mark Kerry *YES*; Stuart Wright, *YES*; John Wynn, *YES*; Absent: John Salter, Michael Sesevold, Mary Jones and Calvin Braxton. *Motion Passed*

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

CREDIT CARD ACTIVITY REPORT

Chairman Wynn asked for a motion to accept the Charge Card Activity Report for 01/29/2025 as presented. Motion by Commissioner Kerry, seconded by Commissioner Collins. Roll call vote recorded as follows: Nikeo Collins, *YES*; Eric Keel, *YES*; Mark Kerry, *YES*; Stuart Wright, *YES*; John Wynn, *YES*; Absent: John Salter, Michael Sesevold, Mary Jones and Calvin Braxton. *Motion Passed*

BUDGET HEARING 2024 AMENDED BUDGET AND 2025 FY BUDGET- Chairman Wynn asked for a motion to enter into the Budget Hearing. Motion by Commissioner Braxton, seconded by Commissioner Keel. Roll call vote recorded as follows: Calvin Braxton, *YES*; Nikeo Collins, *YES*; Mary Jones, *YES*; Eric Keel, *YES*; Mark Kerry, *YES*; John Wynn, *YES*; Absent: John Salter, Michael Sesevold and Stuart Wright. *Motion Passed.*

RESOLUTION NUMBER 1 OF 2025- A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE 2025 DISTRICT EMPLOYEE HOLIDAY SCHEDULE AND OTHERWISE WITH RESPECT THERETO:

RESOLUTION NUMBER 2 OF 2025- A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE 2025 COMMISSION MEETING SCHEDULE FOR THE NATCHITOCHE PARISH COMMUNICATIONS DISTRICT AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO:

RESOLUTION NUMBER 3 OF 2025- A RESOLUTION TO SPONSOR FOUR COMMUNICATIONS OFFICERS TO ATTEND THE 2025 APCO/NENA ANNUAL TRAINING SYMPOSIUM AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO: Chairman Wynn asked for a motion to accept Resolutions Number 1,2, and 3 of 2025. Motion by Commissioner Kerry, seconded by Commissioner keel. Roll call vote recorded as follows: Nikeo Collins, *YES*; Mary Jones, *YES*; Eric Keel, *YES*; Mark Kerry, *YES*; Stuart Wright, *YES*; John Wynn, *YES*; Absent: John Salter, Michael Sesevold and Calvin Braxton. *Motion Passed.*

ADJOURN

Having no other Business to come before the Communications District Board of Commissioners, Chairman Wynn asked for a motion to adjourn until it's next scheduled meeting date. Motion by Commissioner Kerry, seconded by Commissioner Keel. Roll call vote as follows: *Nikeo Collins, YES; Eric Keel, YES; Mark Kerry, YES; Stuart Wright, YES; John Wynn, YES; Absent: John Salter, Michael Sesevold, Mary Jones and Calvin Braxton. Motion Passed.*

Meeting adjourned @ 3:41 pm