

MONROE-WEST MONROE CONVENTION AND VISITOR'S BUREAU OF OUACHITA PARISH

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO GUBERNATORIAL PROCLAMATION JBE 2020-30 AND JBE 2020-41

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, the Governor of the State of Louisiana declared a Public Health Emergency due to the threat posed to public safety by the COVID-19 outbreak;

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, the Governor issued Proclamation 30 JBE 2020, entitled *Additional Measures for COVID-19 Public Health Emergency*;

WHEREAS, the purpose of Proclamation 30 JBE 2020 was to provide, in part, for additional measures to be taken by governmental entities to help combat the spread of COVID-19;

WHEREAS, Section Four of Proclamations 30 JBE 2020 and 41 JBE 2020 authorized all local political subdivisions of the State to provide for attendance at essential governmental meetings via teleconference or video conference during the pendency of the emergency;

WHEREAS, Section Four of said Proclamations further mandated that, before invoking the authority of Section Four, the public entity was required to certify that it would be unable to operate due to quorum requirements;

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors needs to conduct essential business of the C.V.B.;

WHEREAS, due to underlying concerns of several members of the Board, which could be negatively affected by COVID-19, the Board is unable to obtain a quorum of the members of the Board of Directors;

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors therefore needs to implement the authorization located in Section Four of 30 JBE 2020 and 41 JBE 2020,

NOW THEREFORE, pursuant to the authority contained in Proclamations 30 JBE 2020 and 41 JBE 2020, the Board of Directors hereby certifies on this 13th day of May, 2020, that it is unable to obtain an in-person quorum for its meeting scheduled for May 18, 2020, due to the threat of COVID-19, and that, therefore, one or more of its members may participate in such meeting via teleconference or video conference. Additionally, all efforts will be made to provide for observation and input by members of the public.

ALANA COOPER
President

RYAN ROARK
Board President

**Monroe-West Monroe
Convention and Visitors Bureau
601 Constitution Drive
West Monroe, Louisiana
Board of Directors Meeting- **Via Video Conference****

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**Agenda
May 18, 2020
4:00 PM**

- I. Call to Order/Welcome/Roll Call/Prayer
- II. Approval of Agenda
- III. Approval of Minutes
- IV. Treasurer Reports
- V. Staff Activities and Travel Plans
- VI. Committee Reports
 - A. Tourism Development Grant Committee Items
 - a. Final Payments
 - b. Cancellations
 - c. Change of Dates
 - d. Requests for amendments and extensions
 - e. Over 60 days
 - f. Payment procedure for Grants with more than one (1) event
 - B. Nominating Committee
- VII. Other Business
- VIII. Convention Report
- IX. Marketing and Tourism Report
- X. President and CEO Report
- XI. Adjournment

SPECIAL COVID-19 NOTICE

This is an Open Meeting of the Monroe-West Monroe Convention and Visitor's Bureau of Ouachita Parish. In view of the COVID-19 Emergency, the limitation on gatherings of more than 10 persons and social distancing will be observed. In accordance with Proclamations 30 JBE 2020 and 41 JBE 2020, the public is encouraged to observe this meeting by teleconference as follows:

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Further, certification is hereby given that in order to obtain a quorum, one or more members of the Board of Directors of the Monroe-West Monroe Convention and Visitor's Bureau of Ouachita Parish might participate in this meeting by teleconference in accordance with 30 JBE 2020 and 41 JBE 2020.