

Crab Task Force meeting June 5, 2014

Meeting called to order at 1:17 p.m. at LDWF Headquarters in Baton Rouge

Ashley Roth announced that Keith Watts and Donnye Bourn have resigned from the task force.

Present Voting Members:

Eric Blanchard  
Chalin Delaune  
LaQuita Meek  
Trudy Luke  
Pete Gerica  
James Bergeron  
Rodney Parfait

Absent Voting Members:

Kernny Commardelle  
Kim Alfonso  
Gustave "Eddie" Chagnard

Present Non-voting members:

Jack Isaacs  
Mark Schexnayder  
Chad Hebert in for Lt. Col Jeff Mayne  
Julie Anderson  
Melissa Trosclair Daigle

Absent Non-Voting Members

Dr. Rex Caffey  
Alan Matherne

Motion to approve April 22 minutes by Eric Blanchard, second by Chalin Delaune. Motion adopted.

Motion to accept financials by Trudy Luke, second by Chalin Delaune. Motion adopted.

Ashley Roth and Marty Bourgeois addressed the task force on their stock assessment request and told them that the department was working on this request but that it may not be until 2015 until they are able to get to this request.

Cole Garrett gave update on bills entered this legislative session.

Jason Froeba went through the DRAFT Notice of Intent for professionalism for HB1160.

The crab task force discussed the proposed NOI and after discussion a roll call vote was called

Motion by Chalin Delaune to accept the professionalism notice of intent as is, second by Rodney Parfait.

Eric Blanchard-abstain  
Chalin Delaune- yes  
LaQuita Meek-no

Trudy Luke-yes  
Pete Gerica-yes  
James Bergeron-yes  
Rodney Parfait-yes

Motion passes.

Karen Profita addressed the task force on the seafood board's ongoing marketing activities.

Next meeting will be sometime in September, Ashley Roth will call members in August to set up a date.

Cole Garret told the task force that derelict crab trap funds are not able to be used for marketing, but they could look at increasing their marketing fees. Pete Gerica said that he would like for the task force to look at introducing a bill for this next legislative session, which is a fiscal one to look at changing the way the derelict crab trap funds are set-up and try to enable them for marketing use

Motion to adjourn by Rodney Parfait, second by James Bergeron. Meeting adjourned at 2:09 p.m.