

MINUTES OF THE NORTHWEST LOUISIANA
GAME AND FISH PRESERVE COMMISSION

Meeting held on April 5, 2016

Present were Commissioners Brown, Lonadier, Bedgood and Wilson.

On motion by Lonadier and seconded by Bedgood the minutes were accepted as written.

Chairman Brown recognized Wildlife & Fisheries Biologist Jason Brancamp, Renee' Crews and Mike Welch.

There was then discussion concerning the boat ramps. We are still waiting on the water to recede before making a final assessment. C.D. Baker looks to be in good condition but some work will need to be done at Dickson and Westwind.

Jason Brancamp then discussed lake management. Winfred Lonadier advised that there was some giant salvinia at the Black Lack Dam. Jason said he would monitor the situation.

Mike Welch then spoke on behalf of the Black Lake Citizen's Committee. He asked if any testing had been done concerning water quality. Jason advised that to his knowledge either DEQ or some other agency would be responsible for water quality testing as that was not done by the Department of Wildlife & Fisheries.

Mr. Welch then asked about a study supposedly being done by the Corps of Engineers concerning flooding potential.

There was then some discussion concerning the elevation on Chivery Dam. Assistant Secretary-Treasurer Steven D. Crews asked for the elevation from a Levee Board member.

On motion by Bedgood and seconded by Lonadier the work was allowed to correct any problems at Dickson and Westwind.

On motion by Lonadier and seconded by Wilson the offer from International Paper concerning termination of the water usage permit was accepted.

There was then some discussion concerning the possibility of closing the lakes during periods of high water or during periods of drawdown. Jason Brancamp advised he would check with his department to see what could be done.

Arthur Brown, Jr. then advised that due to health reasons he wished to resign as Chairman of the Commission. He accepted nominations and by motion duly made Winfred Lonadier was elected Chairman.

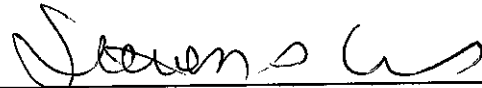
Arthur Brown, Jr. then submitted his formal resignation as a member of the Commission and on motion by Lonadier and seconded by Brown the resignation was accepted.

On motion by Wilson and seconded by Lonadier the Commission did pass Resolution Number 2 of 2016 thanking Arthur Brown, Jr. for his years of dedicated service.

Chairman Lonadier advised the Commission that additional rules and/or regulations might be necessary concerning transmission lines depending on final establishment of a flood elevation for our lakes.

Assistant Secretary-Treasurer Steven D. Crews was asked to invite the game wardens to the next meeting and thank them for the dedicated service they have shown.

On motion by Lonadier and seconded by Wilson the meeting did adjourn.



STEVEN D. CREWS
ASSISTANT SECRETARY-TREASURER