

**MINUTES OF THE NORTHWEST LOUISIANA  
GAME AND FISH PRESERVE COMMISSION**

Meeting held on December 4, 2018

Present were Chairman Lonadier and Commissioners Hubbard, Cooper, Tingle, Bedgood and Wilson.

On motion by Bedgood and seconded by Tingle, Chairman Lonadier called the meeting to order.

On motion by Wilson and seconded by Bedgood, the minutes were approved as written.

The Chairman recognized guests including Renee' Crews and Villis Dowden.

Commissioners Wilson and Bedgood then gave a report on the boat ramps. They said everything is okay but the recreational area needed some additional work on the barrier to prevent vehicles from going around the barrier. Villis Dowden agreed to contact Brad Sticker with the DOTD about placing additional barriers at the location.

Villis Dowden then gave a report on lake management. He said the dam will be closed at the end of January. He said the rain has caused the lake level to rise and fall and it has kept the salvinia moving. It is his hope that it will get trapped on the bank line. He did indicate that they only had to treat 36 acres this year compared to 9,000 acres last year. He is not sure why salvinia was not more pervasive. They are investigating the issues.

Chairman Lonadier then gave a report on a boat ramp location on the east side of the lake complex. Nothing new to report.

There was then follow up discussion concerning the barrier at the recreation area. Mr. Dowden was encouraged to see if they could get some of the concrete chunks at the DOTD "yard" in Natchitoches Parish.

There was then discussion concerning a trash bin off of Highway 1227. On motion by Cooper and seconded by Hubbard, Chairman Lonadier was requested to contact Parish President Rick Nowlin about leasing our property at the old Allen Dam site at the end of Highway 1227 North for the possibility of creating a trash compactor station with an annual rental of \$1,500.00 and the obligation of the Police Jury to install and maintain the compactor station. The resolution was passed unanimously.

It was reported that C.D.Baker work had to be tabled due to the rising lake level.

On motion by Bedgood and seconded by Wilson, the payment to L.Z. Trichel for the annual work at Westwind was ratified.

On motion by Cooper and seconded by Hubbard, Chairman Lonadier was allowed to retain Nick Verrett to assist with the application process of obtaining the general permit from the Corps of Engineers for the construction of the boat ramp.

On motion by Tingle and seconded by Cooper, the Commission agreed to pay Connie Bedgood the \$1,200.00 annual rental for Dickson Boat Ramp.

On motion by Cooper and seconded by Hubbard, the meeting did adjourn.

  
STEVEN D. CREWS