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LOUISIANA AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES COMMISSION **MEETING MINUTES**

June 27, 2022, 9:30 A.M.

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CALL TO ORDER

Chairman, Robert Hanks, called the hearing to order at 9:40 a.m.

II. ROLL CALL AND DECLARATION OF QUOROM

Roll was called by LDAF Staff Kasey Patton

Commission Members Present

Commission Members Absent

Mr. Robert Hanks, Chairman

Mr. Donald Schexnayder

Mr. Ronald Petree

Mr. Donald Berken

Mr. Stephen Logan

Mr. Kevin Webb

Mr. Ross Girtman

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III. APPROVAL OF MAY 25, 2022, MINUTES

Motion was made by Mr. Ronald Petree to approve the minutes for the May 25, 2022, meeting. Mr. Donald Schexnayder seconded the motion. All members were in favor. Motion carried.

With seven (7) members present, Chairman Robert Hanks declared a quorum.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comments were given at this time

V. OLD BUSINESS

No old business was given at this time

VI. CONSIDERATION OF LICENSE APPLICATIONS FOR APPROVAL:

Motion was made by Mr. Ronald Petree and seconded by Donald Berken to go into executive session to review the financial information regarding the applicants for license approval for grain dealers, and cotton merchants.

Motion was made by Mr. Ronald Petree and seconded by Mr. Stephen Logan to come out of executive session.

A. GRAIN DEALER

- 1. Bertrand Rice Marketing
- 2. Greenfield Commodities, LLC

Motion was made by Mr. Ronald Petree and seconded by Mr. Kevin Webb to approve the above grain dealer license applications. All members were in favor. Motion carried.

B. GRAIN DEALER AND WAREHOUSE

- Kennedy Rice Mill, LLC
- 2. Tubbs Grain Storage Leasing, LLC

Motion was made by Mr. Donald Schexnayder and seconded by Mr. Stephen Logan to approve the above Grain Dealer and Warehouse license applications. All members were in favor. Motion carried.

A. COTTON MERCHANT

- 1. Broadway Cotton Co., Inc.
- 2. Dale Hitt Cotton Co., Inc.
- 3. Farmers Cotton of Louisiana
- 4. Jabbour Cotton Company, LLC
- 5. Lakeland Cotton Company, Inc
- 6. Ryan Ellington Cotton, LLC
- 7. Staple Cotton Cooperative Association

Motion was made by Mr. Stephen Logan and seconded by Mr. Ronald Petree to approve the above cotton merchant license applications for renewal. Member Mr. Ross Girtman recused himself from voting on #7 Staple Cotton Cooperative Association. All members in favor. Motion carried.

B. GRAIN DEALER

- 1. Archer Daniels Midland, Co.
- 2. CSC Gold, Inc.
- 3. Erwin Keith, LLC
- 4. Farmers Rice Milling
- 5. Gatlin Group, Inc.
- 6. Gavilon Grain, LLC
- 7. Greenfield Grain, LLC
- 8. Livestock Nutrition Center, LLC
- 9. Miller-Bowie Supply
- 10. Ms. Rose CSMW Grain Broker
- 11. Pitre Rice
- 12. Point Coupee Farmers Elevator, Inc
- 13. Producers Rice Mill
- 14. Ragan & Massey, Inc.
- 15. Red River Grain, Inc.
- 16. Soileau Rice Brokers
- 17. South Louisiana Rail Facility, LLC
- 18. StoneX Commodity Solutions, LLC
- 19. Sunrise Foods International, Inc.

Motion was made by Mr. Donald Berken and seconded by Mr. Ross Girtman to approve the above grain dealer license applications for renewal. Member Mr. Donald Petree recused himself from voting on #17 South Louisiana Rail Facility, LLC. All members were in favor. Motion carried.

C. GRAIN DEALER AND WAREHOUSE

- 1. Kennedy Rice Dryers, LLC
- 2. Lake Arthur Drier, LLC
- 3. Sweet Lake Land & Oil

Motion was made by Mr. Ronald Petree and seconded by Mr. Donald Berken to approve the above grain dealer & warehouse license applications renewal. All members were in favor. Motion carried.

D. WAREHOUSE

- 1. Hardy Rice Dryer, LLC
- 2. Jones Producers Gin, Inc
- 3. Rayne Rice Drier
- 4. Tri-Parish Rice Drier, Inc
- 5. Ville Platte Rice Drier, Inc.

Motion was made by Mr. Donald Schexnayder and seconded by Mr. Stephen Logan to approve the above warehouse license application renewals. All members were in favor. Motion carried.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

Assistant Commissioner Dr. Bobby Fletcher discussed the temporary closing of the Old River Lock. He stated that the schedule for closing the Old River Lock was changed from August 15, 2022, to August 30, 2022, and the time it was to be closed was reduced from ninety (90) days to seventy-five (75) days. This should help with any agricultural activities during that time.

VIII. PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comments were given at this time.

IX. NEXT MEETING DATE

Ms. Kyra Holden will contact Commission Members when the next meeting is to be scheduled.

X. ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Mr. Donald Berken and seconded by Stephen Logan to adjourn the meeting. All members were in favor. Motion carried.

Mr. Robert Hanks, Chairman

THESE MINUTES ARE TENTATIVE UNTIL VOTED ON AND APPROVED BY THE COMMISSION AT THEIR NEXT HEARING, AT WHICH TIME THEY WILL BECOME FINAL.