**MINUTES**

**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY**

**LIQUEFIED PETROLEUM GAS COMMISSION**

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2019**

The Liquefied Petroleum Gas Commission held its regular meeting at 2:00 p.m. September 24, 2019, 7919 Independence Blvd Baton Rouge, LA 70806. The meeting was called to order by Henry “Darty” Smith, with the following members present:

 Ira Cleveland, Commissioner

James A. Hopson, Commissioner

 Dominique J. Monlezun, Commissioner

 Major Mark Morrison

 Attorney Melinda Long

Present also was John W. Alario, Executive Director, and various industry representatives.

On motion by Mr. Cleveland, seconded by Mr. Hopson the meeting was called to order.

The minutes were reviewed and signed.

The detailed appropriation reports ending August 2019 were reviewed.

The statistical reports for the period ending August 2019 were reviewed.

The accounting total reports for August 2018/2019 were reviewed.

Report of fires and accidents for August 2019 were reviewed.

The compliance audits for August 2019 were reviewed.

Dates for the next meetings were set for October 29th & 30th Baton Rouge, LA.

Mr. Alario informed the Commission that he would make the following citations for appearance at the next meeting and that others may be added prior to distribution of the AD letter:

1. **Citations – Regular –** None
2. **Citations – Insurance –** None
3. **Citations – Permit Renewals –** Approximately 20+; Failure to pay permit renewal fee.

As of September 13, 2019, the Market Development Fund (MDF) balance is **$646,160.01.**

Attorney Long updated the Commission on the rule changes. The submission for the rule changes was successful. The next step is the fiscal note and reason of intent. It will take approximately three months before the rules is finalized. Mr. Alario reminded the Commission that this rule change also includes continuing education and adjustments for dates will be handled accordingly.

On behalf of the Louisiana Propane Gas Association, Mr. Randy Hayden approached the Commission. He updated the Commission regarding the national funding for training provided by PERC. There is approximately $100K available for training. The discussion continued on training and access to the funds. Commissioner Monlezun informed the Commission that Brian Cordill is the Director/Residential Commercial development with PERC. And believes Mr. Cordill will be an asset to the Commission in his new national position. Mr. Hayden informed the Commission of a possible marketing relationship with Miss America as a result of the ongoing success with the Miss Louisiana sponsorship.

There being no other business, on motion by Mr. Cleveland, seconded by Mr. Monlezun the meeting was adjourned.