

AGENDA

NORTHWEST LOUISIANA GAME & FISH PRESERVE COMMISSION

August 2, 2022

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

- I. On motion by Cooper and seconded by Hubbard, the meeting was called to order at 6:57 pm.
- II. On motion by Bedgood and seconded by Wilson, the Commission dispensed with the reading of the minutes and approved the minutes as written.
- III. Chairman Lonadier recognized the guests which included a few members of the general public, Candace Hubbard, Eugene Austin, Galen Baker, Corey Cason, and Villis Dowden of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries.
- IV. Old Business
 - a. Revenue Sources-Chairman Lonadier and commissioners discussed revenue sources at great length and plan to review future avenues. At last meeting Assistant Secretary Crews mentioned contacting Senator Bernard and Parish President John Richmond regarding potential funding, no news to report at this time.
 - b. Boat ramps/fishing pier- Commissioner Wilson reported on the boat ramps and said everything looked good. The oak tree at Dickson is still on list to be taken down.
 - c. Lake management- Villis Dowden gave a lengthy report on lake management. Will soon be placing another order for large mouth bass for the spring release. Currently on phase 3 of aquatic vegetation management of approximately 400 acres for giant salvinia.
 - d. New location on east side-Chairman Lonadier advised the Commission was still waiting on the permit concerning the construction of the boat ramp on the east side.

- e. Facebook page-Commissioner Hubbard reported that the Northwest Louisiana Game and Fish Preserve Commission Facebook page has been updated to include information regarding the duck blind permit sales that will begin August 15, 2022.
- f. Drawdown-Chairman Lonadier reminded the commission that the drawdown was going to occur only if needed for the east side boat ramp and at this time, the ramp is on hold pending approval of the permit.
- g. Recreation area clean up-Commissioner Wilson reported that the recreation area was in good shape.

V. New Business

- a. Payment of all invoices-On motion by Cooper and seconded by Bedgood, the invoice submitted was approved.
- b. Recommendation for vacant commissioner spot-Chairman Lonadier opened the floor for applicants (Austin, Baker, Cason) to introduce themselves. They were then asked to leave the meeting while a ballot vote was performed, resulted in a 4:1 favor of Galen Baker. Bedgood made a motion to accept Baker as future commissioner, seconded by Wilson.
- c. Moving the meeting time-Commissioner Hubbard opened discussion regarding moving future meetings to an earlier time due to request from wildlife and fisheries. A motion was made by Hubbard and seconded by Tingle to move the time from 7 pm to 6 pm starting on October 4, 2022.

VI. Closing comments

- VII. Call for adjourn-With no other new business to report, on motion by Hubbard and seconded by Cooper, the meeting was adjourned.