MINUTES OF THE NORTHWEST LOUISIANA GAME AND FISH PRESERVE COMMISSION

Meeting held on June 4, 2019

All Commissioners were present with Chairman Lonadier presiding.

On motion by Cooper and seconded by Bedgood, the meeting was called to order.

On motion by Hubbard and seconded by Wilson, the minutes were accepted as written.

Chairman Lonadier recognized guests Villis Dowden and Renee' Crews.

There was then a report on the boat ramps. Everything appears to be in good shape considering the recent rains. There will be some work necessary later on this summer.

The recreational area was reported to be in good shape and will hopefully get mowed next week.

Villis Dowden then gave a report on lake management. He advised everything looks good. He was requested to spray some salvinia on the north end of the lake and especially near Cloud's Crossing. He additionally reported that they had a surplus of 30,000 Florida fingerlings and he was going to try and stock those perhaps in the Cloud Crossing area. The Commission discussed that the numbers appear to show the bream numbers on a rebound.

Steven D. Crews then gave a report on the engineering and getting someone to help with obtaining the Corps permit for the boat ramp on the east side of the lake. On motion by Hubbard and seconded by Bedgood the Commission did adopt Resolution Number 1 of 2019 authorizing Steven D. Crews to retain Wetlands Unlimited to assist with obtaining the permit from the Corps of Engineers. The Resolution passed unanimously.

There was no news to report concerning the compactor station.

It was reported that there is no plan for a drawdown this year.

Concerning new business the Commission discussed the fact that there was no more recurring revenue of any substantial source to help fund the operating expenses of the Commission. The Commission then discussed the possibility of obtaining a millage to help generate some recurring revenue. The Commission was going to meet with Parish President Rick Nowlin and the President of the Red River Parish Police Jury. Assistant Secretary Treasurer Steven D. Crews was instructed to contact Renee Albright who did the same thing on behalf of the Grand Bayou Resort in Red River Parish.

There was then discussion concerning the gates and the Commission agreed to keep the gates open until the pool level had receded to 99 feet.

An invoice in the amount of \$165.00 was submitted and on motion by Bedgood and seconded by Tingle the invoice was approved.

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

STEVEN D. CREWS