

Minutes

LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE & FORESTRY
Louisiana Agricultural Commodities Commission
Veterans' Memorial Auditorium
5825 Florida Blvd.
Baton Rouge, LA 70806
June 27, 2017
9:30 a.m.

I. Call to Order

Mr. Robert Hanks called the meeting to order at 09:35 a.m.

II. Roll Call and Declaration of Quorum

Commission Members Present

Absent Members

Mr. Robert Hanks

Commissioner Strain

Mr. Tom Russell

Donald Berken

Mr. Ronald Petree

Ryan Ellington

Mr. Elliott Ater

Kevin Webb

Mr. Donald Zaunbrecher

Mr. Stephen Logan

There was a quorum of six (6) members present.

Staff Members Present

Assistant Commissioner, Office of the Agro Consumer Services, Steve Sessums

Director, Louisiana Agricultural Commodities Commission, Kyra Fitzgerald

Assistant Director, Weights and Measures, Paul Floyd

Louisiana Department of Agriculture & Forestry Auditor, Jeff Fabre

Louisiana Department of Agriculture & Forestry Auditor, Royshard Rushing

Louisiana Department of Agriculture & Forestry Auditor, Billy Benton

Administrative Assistant V, Lisa Sonnier

Administrative Coordinator IV, Nicole Robino

III. Adoption of Minutes – May 31, 2017

A motion was made by Mr. Tom Russell and seconded by Mr. Ronald Petree to approve the minutes. The motion carried unanimously.

IV. Public Comment

Mr. Robert Hanks asked if there was any public comment. There was none.

V. Consideration of License Applications for Approval:
(New Applications)

A motion was made by Mr. Ronald Petree and seconded by Mr. Donald Zaunbrecher to go into Executive Session to discuss the financial information of each of the applicants for licensure as a warehouse, cotton merchant and/or graindealer. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Donald Zaunbrecher and seconded by Mr. Ronald Petree to come out of Executive Session. The motion carried unanimously.

A. Grain Dealer

A motion was made by Mr. Ronald Petree and seconded by Mr. Tom Russell to approve FBN CM, LLC'S grain dealer application. The motion carried unanimously.

B. Grain Dealer and Warehouse

A motion was made by Mr. Ronald Petree and seconded by Mr. Stephen Logan to approve Lake Arthur Drier, LLC'S grain dealer and warehouse applications. The motion carried unanimously.

VI. Renewal Applications:

A motion was made by Mr. Stephen Logan and seconded by Mr. Ronald Petree to approve the following cotton merchant applications.

1. COFCO Americas Resources Corporation
2. Dale Hitt Cotton Co., LLC
3. Jabbour Cotton Company, LLC
4. P.J.S. Incorporated
5. Ryan Ellington Cotton, LLC

The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Tom Russell and seconded by Mr. Ronald Petree to approve the following cotton merchant, grain dealer and warehouse application.

1. Lakeland Cotton & Grain Co., Inc.

The motion carried with Mr. Elliott Ater abstaining from the vote.

A motion was made by Mr. Ronald Petree and seconded by Mr. Tom Russell to approve the following grain dealer applications:

1. Aaron Duhon Bins, Inc.
2. Acadian Rice Mill, LLC
3. Agspring Mississippi Region, LLC
d/b/a Big River Rice and Grain
4. Bertrand Rice, LLC
5. Bunkie Elevator & Gine Company, Inc.
6. Farmers Rice Milling Co., Inc.
7. Gavilon Grain, LLC
8. Grainxchange, LLC
9. James Craig Pitre
10. Purina Animal Nutrition, LLC
11. Red River Grain, Inc.
12. Richard Independent Brokers, LLC
13. Rose Menou Grain Broker
14. Soileau Rice Brokers

The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Stephen Logan and seconded by Mr. Tom Russell to approve the following grain dealer and warehouse applications with Mr. Robert Hanks abstaining from voting on Supreme Rice LLC:

1. Hensgens Grain Elevator, Inc.
2. Kaplan Rice Dryer, Inc.
3. Mowata Rice Drier, Inc.
4. Pinnacle Operating Company
5. Planters Rice Mill, LLC
6. Supreme Rice, LLC
7. Sweetlake Land & Oil Company
8. Victory Supply, Inc.

The motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Tom Russell and seconded by Mr. Ronald Petree to approve the following warehouse applications:

1. Hardy Rice Dryer, LLC
2. Jones Producers Gin, Inc.
3. Rayne Rice Drier and Warehouse

The motion carried unanimously.

VII. Old Business

VIII. New Business

Commissioner Mike Strain has been requested to attend the next meeting of the LACC to discuss any questions pertaining to the Grain and Cotton Indemnity Fund.

IX. Public Comment

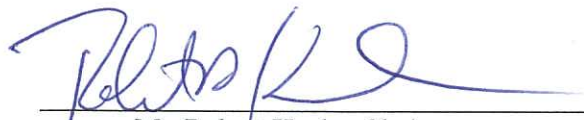
Mr. Robert Hanks asked if there was any public comment. There was none.

X. Date for the Next Meeting

The date of the next meeting is scheduled for September 27, 2017 at 9:30 a.m.

XI. Adjournment

A motion was made by Mr. Ronald Petree and seconded by Mr. Stephen Logan to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously.



Mr. Robert Hanks, Chairman