# LAFOURCHE PARISH GAME & FISH COMMISSION

**Minutes: October 10, 2016**

The regular monthly meeting of the Lafourche Parish Game and Fish Commission was held on

Monday, October 10, 2016, at 6:30 p.m., in the meeting room of the Lockport Town Hall. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Barry Plaisance. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

**Roll Call:** Present – Vincent Guillory, Dean Savoie, Oray Savoie, Brett Bascle, and Barry Plaisance; absent – Lloyd Ledet.

**Approval of Minutes:** A motion was made by Oray Savoie and seconded by Dean Savoie to approve the minutes as presented. Voting yes – Vincent Guillory, Dean Savoie, Oray Savoie, Brett Bascle Plaisance; no – none

**Approval of Agenda:** A motion was made by Brett Bascle and seconded by Vincent Guillory to approve the agenda as presented. Voting yes – Dean Savoie, Vincent Guillory, Oray Savoie, Brett Bascle, no – none

**Secretary Report**: The following was accomplished: checked mail box daily; transferred and recorded camp sales; copied and assembled meeting paperwork (agenda, minutes, financial report, etc.) for the October meeting; submitted minutes for publication in Daily Comet and minutes and agenda to Parish clerk; Check to see how much it would cost to have the new ten year lease recorded

**Approval of Financial Report**: A motion was made by Dean Savoie and seconded by Brett Bascle to accept the September financial report. Voting yes —Vincent Guillory, Dean Savoie, Oray Savoie, Brett Bascle; no-none

**Public Input**: none.

**Business:**  A public hearing will be held at 6:15 prior to the December meeting to discuss the proposed Budget for 2017.

**New Commission Appointment:** Matt LeCompt has been appointed by the Parish Council to serve on the Commission representing the Town of Lockport. He was not present at the meeting.

**Board of Director’s Insurance**; Several insurance agencies have been contacted and two responded that they would work up some quotes. Hopefully we will have the quotes for the next meeting.

**Lake Field Restoration Project;** Vince Guillory is working on the restoration plan. He met with BTNEP to review the project. BTNEP with present the project to others to try to get them to be partners, Vince has meetings schedule with BTNEP, Ducks Unlimited, the Parish Council in late October. They may be interested in joining with us to get grants for restoration in Lake Fields. The more organizations that join us with us will make it easier to get grants. Vincent Guillory also did a field Trip to Lake Fields and explained what the restoration project would entail. A twp page summary was asked to be sent to CPRA about the project. T. Baker Smith is working with us on the project. Vincent Guillory will also send an email to the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries requesting the data from their studies, which will add to the restoration project. He will also send a request for fingerling to be released in the area.

**As Hoc Lease Holder Committee;** Only one person contacted the Commission about being on the committee. An email will be sent out to all lease holders. This was tabled until the December meeting.

**Cost of Implementation of New Lease Document;** Anne Thibodeaux went to the Court House and requested the cost of recording the New Ten Year Lease Document. It would be on the average $86.00 each. After a discussion a motion was made by Oray Savoie and second by Dean Savoie for the Commission to pay $50.00 toward each recording per lease. Voting yes, Vincent Guillory, Brett Bascle, Oray Savoie and Dean Savoie, no - none

**2017 Budget**; A motion was made by Oray Savoie and second by Vincent Guillory to eliminate the rent from the proposed Budget. Voting yes, Vincent Guillory, Brett Bascle, Oray Savoie and Dean Savoie, no - none

**Secretary Position Vacancy;** The Commission received over 35 applications for the secretary position. The Commission will review the application and hire someone. Anne Thibodeaux will retire at the end of December but will stay on the month of January to help with the transition.

**Air Boat Usage (Discussion):** A discussion was held about the usage of airboats in the Lake Fields, Little Lake area. Airboats are use to check pipe lines, by law enforcement, Wildlife and Fisheries. For the Commission to stop airboats the parish would have to pass an ordinance. The Commission would have to pass a resolution prohibiting air boats. The Commission needs to check on this issue before the next meeting.

**Nutria Program:** The Commission would like to have an idea of how many nutria are taken from the area. I will contact the gentleman who hunts the nutria to get a figure.

**Field Inspection AD Hoc Committee:** Tabled till the December meeting

**Other Business:** No meeting in November

**Adjournment:** A motion was made by Dean Savoie and seconded by Brett Bascle to adjourn the meeting. Voting yes – Vincent Guillory, Dean Savoie, Oray Savoie and Brett Bascle; no – none

The next meeting will be on Monday, December 12, 2016.

Barry Plaisance

Chairman

Anne Thibodeaux

Secretary