

MEETING OF THE NORTHWEST LOUISIANA GAME
AND FISH PRESERVE COMMISSION

Meeting held on April 4, 2024

Present were Acting Chairman Shane Hubbard and Commissioners Austin, Cooper, Cason, and Bedgood.

On motion by Austin and seconded by Bedgood the meeting was called to order and presided by Vice Chairman Shane Hubbard.

On motion by Cason and seconded by Austin, the minutes were accepted as written.

Acting Chairman Hubbard recognized guests, Villas Dowden, Wesley Maddox, spouses and Representative of Delta Waterfowl, Laura Leigh Romiy.

Concerning old business, the boat ramps were in fair condition. Assistant Secretary-Treasurer Steven Crews was asked to write the DOTD about blocking the entrance to the recreational area. It has turned into a trash dump.

Lonadier Landing needs mowing.

On lake management, Villas Dowden and Wesley Maddox advised that spraying continues. They said the Prairie Lake looks good, but there is some alligator weed that will need to be sprayed. They also have noticed some coon tail moss and hydrilla. The fish population studies should be finished in the near future.

Shane Hubbard reported that the Facebook page is still operating but had nothing new to report.

Assistant Secretary-Treasurer Steven Crews advised that the harassment law has gone through the House of Representatives and is headed to the Senate.

There is nothing to report concerning closing of duck seasons at 2:00 p.m.

The Commission agreed with amending the duck blind rules and adding that any floating or movable duck blind had to be removed within 30 days of the close of duck season.

On Motion by Cason and seconded by Austin, the Commission agreed to accept the proposal from Delta Waterfowl of funding of up to \$6,000 for boat ramp improvements and repairs.

A \$295 invoice was submitted for payment and unanimously approved.

There was nothing new to report concerning a replacement of Assistant Secretary-Treasurer.

Assistant Secretary-Treasurer Crews advised that Abe Ackel had applied for a position on the Commission. The Commission agreed to invite him to the next meeting.

Acting Chairman Hubbard advised that Tier 2 Reports were necessary and these includes ethics and sexual harassment.

There was some discussion concerning the ongoing permit system in the lake complex. Assistant Secretary-Treasurer Steven Crews asked that the Commissioners report any permit numbers that are on floating structures that have not been removed so the owner can be contacted about removing the structure.

On Motion by Bedgood and seconded by Austin the meeting did adjourn.

STEVEN D. CREWS