



**Cane River Waterway Commission
Minutes
September 17, 2019**

There was a public meeting of the Cane River Waterway Commission on September 17, 2019 at 6:20 pm located at 244 Cedar Bend, Natchez, Louisiana.

The meeting was called to order and roll was called, the following members being present: Mr. Methvin, Mr. Paige, and Mrs. Vienne.

Also present was the administrator, Betty Fuller and the attorney Tommy Murchison.

Present as guests of the Commission was Rhonda Gauthier with Louisiana Creole Heritage Center.

Mrs. Fuller addressed the Commission advising that Mr. Wiggins is dealing with a medical issue and will not be in attendance. The Commission wishes Mr. Wiggins a speedy recovery.

Mrs. Gauthier addressed the Commission about the upcoming 21st annual celebration of the Northwestern State University/Creole Heritage Center held on September 27 & 28. The Saturday event will be at the Rue Beauport Riverfront in downtown Natchitoches, with the theme "Let your legacy live on: Faith, Family, Fitness, Food and Fun". After discussion, the Vice-Chairman opened the floor to public comments, and after discussion the Vice-Chairman closed the floor to discussion. Upon motion by Mr. Paige, seconded by Mr. Methvin, and unanimous vote by Mr. Methvin, Mr. Paige and Mrs. Vienne the Commission authorized \$2,500.00 for the event; further authorizing Mrs. Fuller to hold a kids safety table during the event and any cost associated therewith. The Commission further authorized Mrs. Fuller to obtain costs for a Commission banner for future events and present it at the October 15, 2019 meeting.

The minutes of the August 20, 2019 meeting of the commission were presented. After discussion, the Vice-Chairman opened the floor to public comments, and after discussion the Vice-Chairman closed the floor to discussion. Upon motion by Mr. Methvin, seconded by Mr. Paige, and unanimous vote by Mrs. Vienne, Mr. Methvin, and Mr. Paige the Commission approved the minutes of the August 20, 2019 meeting, as written.

The Commission tabled old Condemned Bridge at Shell Beach, pumping, dredging, and enforcement projects pending further review.

Mrs. Fuller presented the shoreline lake natural disaster Phase I RFIs for Commission review. There was only one quote submitted. The Vice-Chairman opened the floor to public comments, and after discussion the Vice-Chairman closed the floor to discussion. Upon motion by Mr. Paige, seconded by Mr. Methvin, and unanimous vote by Mr. Paige, Mr. Methvin, and Mrs. Vienne the Commission accepted the quote from Jessup Construction LLC in the amount of \$47,220.00.

Mrs. Fuller presented the electrical for the facility RFI for Commission review. There was only one quote submitted. The Vice-Chairman opened the floor to public comments, and after discussion the Vice-Chairman closed the floor to discussion. Upon motion by Mr. Methvin, seconded by Mr. Paige, and unanimous vote by Mr. Paige, Mr. Methvin, and Mrs. Vienne the Commission accepted the quote from Delphin Electric LLC in the amount of \$865.55.

Mrs. Fuller provided the treasurer's report for the month of August. She presented invoices from Corkern, Crews, and Guillet in the amount of \$3,648.76, Air Data Solution \$262.50, and Mayeaux Rangers LLC \$505.83. She also presented the budget to actual comparison for the month of August and Investment report for Commission review. After discussion, the Vice-Chairman opened the floor to public comments, and after discussion the Vice-Chairman closed the floor to discussion. Upon motion by Mr. Methvin, seconded by Mr. Paige, and unanimous vote by Mrs. Vienne, Mr. Methvin, and Mr. Paige the Commission approved the financial report and payment of bills.

Mrs. Fuller advised the Commission that the storage unit was up for renewal. After discussion the Commission Mrs. Fuller to process an RFI for the Commission storage unit.

Mrs. Fuller presented gas, mileage, and activity logs for the period from August 18 – September 15, 2019 for the review of the Commission. After discussion the Vice-Chairman opened the floor to public comments, and after discussion the Vice-Chairman closed the floor to discussion. Upon motion by Mr. Paige, seconded by Mr. Methvin and unanimous vote by, Mrs. Vienne, Mr. Methvin, and Mr. Paige the Commission approved the logs for the period from August 18 – September 15, 2019.

Mrs. Fuller presented the administrator's report. The current lake level is 97.2 MSL. She issued eight building permits, is treating the lake chemically for overgrowth of vegetation and monitoring for giant salvinia in the north canal, maintained the office/public landings, maintained the state/commission web site, service agreements, and prepared all documentation, reports, and requests that are required for the commissions review, authorization and knowledge. Enforcement reported one boating accident resulting in property damage that occurred on August 31, 2019. No injuries or fatalities has occurred on the lake this period. After discussion, the Vice-Chairman opened the floor to public comments, and after discussion the Vice-Chairman closed the floor to discussion. Upon motion by Mr. Methvin, seconded by Mr. Paige, and unanimous vote by Mrs. Vienne, Mr. Methvin, Mr. and Mr. Paige the Commission authorized the administrator monthly report, and the August 18 – September 15, 2019 expenditure report contained therein.

There being no further business to come before the Board, upon motion by Mr. Paige, seconded by Mr. Methvin, and unanimous vote by Mrs. Vienne, Mr. Methvin, and Mr. Paige, the meeting was adjourned.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED: Betty Fuller Date Approved: October 15, 2019