

**MINUTES OF THE NORTHWEST LOUISIANA
GAME AND FISH PRESERVE COMMISSION**

Meeting held on December 6, 2016

Present were Chairman Lonadier and Commissioners Cooper, Runyon, Bedgood, Wilson, Self and Hubbard.

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

On motion by Runyon and seconded by Self, the minutes were accepted as written.

Chairman Lonadier recognized guests, Daniel Simpson, Villis Dowden and Jared Lonadier.

Durwood Wilson gave a report on the boat ramps. He said all of the ramps need a load of rock. On motion by Bedgood and seconded by Self, Commissioner Wilson was authorized to get the necessary work done.

Commissioner Wilson also advised of some damage to the yellow piping at the C.D. Baker Boat Ramp. On motion by Runyon and seconded by Bedgood, Commissioner Wilson was authorized to get the repairs done to the pipe around the drain at the C.D. Baker Boat Ramp.

Biologist Villis Dowden then gave a report on the lakes. He said only spot spraying was taking place at this time. He said there was no state wide contract work being done and the contractual issues would take 2-3 weeks before they were resolved and the statewide contract work resumed. Biologist Dowden also advised there is a possibility of a summer drawdown. There was much discussion of a summer drawdown versus a winter drawdown.

There was no information concerning the recreational pier.

Chairman Lonadier advised that the SWEPCO work concerning the energy lines was proceeding.

No one was present on behalf of the Black Lake Citizen's Committee.

There was then discussion concerning the markers for the boat ramps. On motion by Hubbard and seconded by Wilson, Assistant Secretary Treasurer Steven D. Crews was authorized to pay the invoice for the markers. On motion by Wilson and seconded by Runyon, Commissioner Bedgood was authorized to get the work down to install the markers at the boat ramps.

Shane Hubbard then introduced Daniel Simpson who provided information concerning creating a database for the duck blinds and

their locations. He agreed to review the matter further and submit a formal proposal to Assistant Secretary Treasurer Steven D. Crews.

Concerning new business Tom Runyon advised that he was going to resign after this meeting as he had recently moved to Jonesboro.

An invoice was submitted for clean up work and on motion by Runyon and seconded by Hubbard the invoice was approved.

On motion by Runyon and seconded by Wilson the check to L.Z. Trichel for his work in 2016 was ratified.

On motion by Wilson and seconded by Cooper the payment for the Dickson Boat Ramp was approved for the 2017 season.

Commissioner Bedgood advised that he would check into the possibility of obtaining an extension to the Dickson Boat Ramp lease.

On motion by Hubbard and seconded by Runyon, the meeting did adjourn.



STEVEN D. CREWS