**MINUTES**

**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY**

**LIQUEFIED PETROLEUM GAS COMMISSION**

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 23, 2021**

The Liquefied Petroleum Gas Commission held its regular meeting at 2:00 p.m. June 23, 2021. The meeting was called to order by Ira Cleveland, with the following members present:

Rick Cleveland, Commissioner

Todd Thompson, Commissioner

Attorney Melinda Long

Present also was John W. Alario, Executive Director, and various industry representatives.

On motion by Mr. Thompson, seconded by Mr. R. Cleveland the minutes were approved.

The detailed appropriation reports ending January – May 2021 were reviewed.

The statistical reports for the period ending January – May 2021 was reviewed.

The accounting total reports for January – May 2021 were reviewed.

Report of fires and accidents for January – May 2021 were reviewed.

The compliance audits for January – May 2021 were reviewed.

Dates for the next meetings were set to be determined at a later date.

Mr. Alario informed the Commission that he would make the following citations for appearance at the next meeting and that others may be added prior to distribution of the AD letter:

1. **Citations – Regular –** None
2. **Citations – Insurance –** None
3. **Citations – Permit Renewals –** None

As of June 7, 2021, the Market Development Fund (MDF) balance is **$296,249.41.**

Mr. Alario talked about the unfortunate passing of Commissioner Smith and way to honor his service and memory. Attorney Long will compose a resolution in honor of Commissioner Smith. On motion by Mr. R. Cleveland, seconded by Mr. Thompson all agreed on the memoriam.

Randy Hayden from the Louisiana Propane Gas Association (LPGA) approached the Commission. He provided an explanation to the newly sworn Commissioners regarding his role with LPGA and the Commission. Mr. Hayden addressed the Commission regarding fossil fuels and all electric economies to elaborate on the importance of propane. There are some communities that are trying to band propane. However, LPGA is looking for ways (possibly through legislation) to compete with the natural gas industry. Mr. Hayden also addressed training throughout the state. And he also elaborated on the purpose of the Market Development fund and the crucial need for propane advertising.

There being no other business, on motion by Mr. R. Cleveland, seconded by Mr. Thompson the meeting was adjourned.