



**Cane River Waterway Commission  
Minutes  
August 15, 2017**

There was a regular meeting of the Cane River Waterway Commission held at 6:00 pm., on August 15, 2017 at 244 Cedar Bend, Natchez, Louisiana.

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

Also present were commission administrator Betty Fuller, safety and maintenance tech Glynn Fuller, and attorney Tommy Murchison.

Present as guests of the Commission were Willie Metoyer, Lyn Christophe, and Allie Cozad.

The Commission recognized Mr. Metoyer representing the St. Augustine Catholic Church. He presented an appreciation letter to the Commission. Vice-Chairman Vienne read the letter aloud. The Commission thanked Mr. Metoyer and Ms. Christophe and expressed their intent to contribute to the Cane River Bank Stabilization Project.

The minutes of the July 18, 2017 meeting of the commission were presented. The Chairman opened the floor to public comments, and after discussion the Chairman closed the floor to discussion. Upon motion by Mr. Methvin, seconded by Mrs. Vienne, and unanimous vote by Mr. Rhodes, Mr. Methvin, and Mrs. Vienne, the Commission approved the minutes of the July 18, 2017 meeting, as written.

Mrs. Fuller provided the Commission with the draft drawing provided by Denmon Engineering for replacement/new docks at Shell Beach. After discussion the commission authorized Mrs. Fuller to finalize and provide quotes at the September 19, 2017 meeting.

Mrs. Fuller provided the Commission with the submitted cost and design for Washington Street launch. After discussion the Commission Authorized Mrs. Fuller to contact the City of Natchitoches and request more information on the project.

Mrs. Fuller advised the Commission that the Health Department is handling the sewer complaint and time has been given to owner to make repairs to the site. After discussion the Commission authorized Mrs. Fuller to continue to monitor the site and report once repairs were made.

Mrs. Fuller advised the commission that the U.S. Corps of Engineers on the St. Augustine Project was requesting a letter be submitted from the Commission on continuing authorities program-section 14-Cane River bank stabilization project. After discussion, the Commission authorized Tommy to review and edit the letter, further authorizing the chairman's signature.

Lake issues, and dilapidated structures were tabled until the September 19, 2017.

The Commission addressed the rental of a storage unit to house the overstock of equipment. After discussion, the Commission authorized Mrs. Fuller to obtain quotes and present at the September 19, 2017 meeting.

Mrs. Fuller advised the Commission that she was working on the plans for the repairs needed at the facility.

Mrs. Fuller advised the Commission that trees had fallen in the canal north of Washington Street. After discussion, the Commission authorized Mrs. Fuller to obtain quotes and provide them at the September 19, 2017 meeting.

Mrs. Fuller provided the treasurer's report, bills from BOM \$943.65, Coast Guard \$60.00, Waskom Brown \$ 110.00 and presented the budget to actual comparison for Commission review. The Chairman opened the floor to public comments, and after discussion the Chairman closed the floor to

discussion. Upon motion by Mrs. Vienne, seconded by Mr. Methvin, and unanimous vote by Mr. Rhodes, Mrs. Vienne, and Mr. Methvin, the Commission approved the financial report and payment of bills.

Mrs. Fuller presented an invoice from Womack Construction in the amount of \$58,500.00 for Commission review. The Chairman opened the floor to public comments, and after discussion the Chairman closed the floor to discussion. Upon motion by Mrs. Vienne, seconded by Mr. Methvin and unanimous vote by Mr. Rhodes, Mr. Methvin, and Mrs. Vienne, the Commission approved the payment of \$58,500.00 to Womack Construction.

Mrs. Fuller presented an invoice from Murchison Law Office in the amount of \$4,685.00 for Commission review. The Chairman opened the floor to public comments, and after discussion the Chairman closed the floor to discussion. Upon motion by Mr. Methvin, seconded by Mrs. Vienne and unanimous vote by Mr. Rhodes, Mr. Methvin, and Mrs. Vienne, the Commission approved the payment of \$4,685.00 to Murchison Law Office.

Mrs. Fuller presented an invoice from Green Jeans in the amount of \$5,000.00 for Commission review. The Chairman opened the floor to public comments, and after discussion the Chairman closed the floor to discussion. Upon motion by Mr. Methvin, seconded by Mrs. Vienne and unanimous vote by Mr. Rhodes, Mrs. Vienne, and Mr. Methvin, the Commission approved the payment of \$5,000.00 to Green Jeans that included the removal of large fallen/dead pecan limbs located at Shell Beach landing.

Mrs. Fuller presented gas, mileage, and activity logs for the period from July 17, 2017 to August 14, 2017, for the review of the Commission. The Chairman opened the floor to public comments, and after discussion the Chairman closed the floor to discussion. Upon motion by Mrs. Vienne, seconded by Mr. Methvin, and unanimous vote by Mr. Rhodes, Mrs. Vienne, Mr. Methvin, the Commission approved the logs for the period from July 17 to August 14, 2017.

Mrs. Fuller presented the water safety and secretary report. She advised the Commission that she attended the Louisiana Outdoor Writer Associations, and MRC Pre-Visit and Red River/J. Bennett Johnston Waterway. She further updated them on the lake vegetation status.

Mrs. Fuller presented the expenditure report. The Chairman opened the floor to public comments, and after discussion the Chairman closed the floor to discussion. Upon motion by Mrs. Vienne, seconded by Mr. Methvin, and unanimous vote by Mr. Rhodes, Mrs. Vienne, and Mr. Methvin, the Commission approved the July 17 to August 14, 2017 expenditure report.

Mr. Fuller presented the Lake Safety Patrol report. Current lake level is 98.2 MSL. The Cane River Patrol issued four building permits, two pump permits, and worked one complaints. Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries submitted no report. Sheriff's Office issued no citations and made no arrests. There were no Accidents, Injuries, or Fatalities to report.

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

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED: Betty Fuller Date Approved: September 19, 2017