

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

Meeting held on August 1, 2017

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

Chairman Lonadier recognized guest Villis Dowden of the Department of Wildlife & Fisheries and Renee' and Hannah Crews.

On motion by Wilson and seconded by Bedgood, the meeting was called to order.

On motion by Hubbard and seconded by Wilson the minutes were approved as written.

Durwood Wilson then gave a report on the boat ramps. He said everything was in good working order. He also advised that some rock had been placed at Westwind. Chairman Lonadier and Commissioner Bedgood discussed the possibility of placing the remaining markers at Dickson. They also discussed placing the markers at Westwind during the period of the drawdown.

Biologist Villis Dowden then gave a comprehensive report on lake management. He said the contract spraying for salvinia was going good. He presented a graph which showed treated acres by year consisting of 419 acres in 2014, 1,675 acres in 2015, 3,348 acres in 2016 and 7,185 acres so far in 2017. He also advised that the current drawdown is scheduled to end on December 1 but it may be extended for a month through a month and a half depending on weather conditions. He also confirmed that there were weevil test plots located throughout the lake. Commissioner Wilson then reported that the recreational area was in good shape.

There was no discussion concerning the dam inspection report.

Concerning new business Commissioner Hubbard made a motion, seconded by Bedgood, to approve the \$230.00 invoice submitted by David Reiley.

On motion by Bedgood and seconded by Tingle the Commission approved the current invoice from David Reiley in the amount of \$1,021.00 for work at all of the locations during June and July of 2017.

Additional discussion then took place and upon motion by Bedgood and seconded by Tingle the Commission did agree to adopt Resolution Number 3 of 2017 which requests the Department of Wildlife & Fisheries do a comprehensive study concerning the potential use of aerial applicators for herbicide in the continued battle with aquatic vegetation, including, but not limited to, giant salvinia. The motion passed unanimously.

On motion by Cooper and seconded by Hubbard the meeting did adjourn.

  

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