

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

Meeting held on December 3, 2019

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

On motion by Cooper and seconded by Hubbard, the meeting was brought to order.

On motion by Bedgood and seconded by Wilson, the minutes were accepted as written.

Villis Dowden and Renee' Crews were recognized as guests.

Chairman Lonadier advised the Commission that we are still investigating potential revenue sources.

Commissioner Wilson gave a report on the dams. He said everything was good but some of the parking lots were beginning to show signs of erosion.

Villis Dowden then gave a report on lake management. He reported a disturbing increase in giant salvinia. He did complete a 30 day 650 acre contract spray. He felt the aquatic growth was starting to show some resiliency to the herbicide. If there is not a cold winter, he was going to consider a drawdown in 2020. He also advised that his request for 120,000 Florida bass fingerlings has been approved. There was then some discussion concerning the use of the contract sprayers and whether or not they could get into the canals and bayous. They were encouraged to spray into the canals and the bayous.

Concerning a new boat ramp location, there was nothing new to report.

There was nothing to report concerning the use of t-posts to mark the boundary at the new boat ramp location.

For new business on motion by Wilson and seconded by Hubbard, the Commission approved the payment to Connie Bedgood for the 2020 boat ramp rental of Dickson Boat Ramp.

On motion by Wilson and seconded by Self, the Commission approved the payment of \$400.00 to L.Z. Trichel for boat ramp maintenance in 2019.

Commissioner Hubbard then discussed the possible use of a helicopter to do some spraying. Villis Dowden said he would look into the issue.

Commissioner Hubbard also indicated he would like to be involved in contacting a federal representative in dealing with the Corps.

On motion by Cooper and seconded by Bedgood, the meeting did adjourn.

  
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STEVEN D. CREWS