

PUBLIC OYSTER SEED GROUND VESSEL PERMIT APPEALS BOARD

MINUTES

December 9, 2014

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CHAIRMAN

NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA

The following constitute minutes of the Public Oyster Seed Ground Vessel Permit Appeals
Board Meeting

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December 9, 2014 – 10:00 A.M.
2ND FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM
LDWF OFFICE IN THE UNO ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY BUILDING
2021 LAKESHORE DRIVE, NEW ORLEANS, LA 70122

Meeting called to order by Chairman Jakov Jurisic at approximately 10:04am.

AGENDA

I. Roll Call

- Shane Bagala – Present
- Wilbert Collins – Present
- Buddy Daisy – Present
- Dan Coulon – Present
- Byron Encalade – Present
- Jakov Jurisic – Present
- Brad Robin – Present
- Sam Slavich – Present
- Peter Vujnovich, Jr. – Absent

Quorum present.

II. Approval of Minutes from Meeting of October 7, 2014

- Bagala – Motion to Approve
 - Robin – Seconded
 - MOTION CARRIED (unanimous)

III. Hearing of New Renewal Permit Appeals

A. B & W Seafood (William Scarborough attending)

- Ty Lindsey, Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries (LDWF) Biologist, stated that Scarborough is appealing for renewal permits on two vessels. B & W Seafood held 2011 permits on both vessels, but did not renew them by December 31, 2012 at which time the permits expired and were no longer eligible for renewal. Lindsey said Scarborough stated in his appeal that he was not aware that he needed to renew permits yearly and that is the reason for allowing permits on his two boats to lapse.
- Lindsey stated this case is similar to previous cases.
- Scarborough stated he had 2011 permits and every year prior, but he did not plan to fish oysters in Louisiana in 2012 so he did not renew the permits. He was not aware the permits would expire if he did not renew them each year.
- Encalade reminded the Board that LDWF did not inform permit holders that permits were subject to expiration and that the Board had recommended renewal of permits in similar cases before.

- Slavich said he is satisfied this case is similar to previous cases in which a recommendation was made in favor of permit renewal.
- Encalade – Motion to recommend renewal permits be issued
 - Robin – Seconded
 - MOTION CARRIED (unanimous)

IV. Hearing of New Re-Issuance Permit Appeals

A. Dale Chaisson (attending)

- Chaisson is appealing for re-issuance of a current permit held by his brother, now deceased.
- Chaisson told the Board that he purchased his deceased brother's permitted boat shortly after his brother died in August 2014.
- LDWF requires the original permit be relinquished to the Department prior to re-issuing the permit. The original permit had not been found at the time of permit application.
- Jurisic asked if family should have to get the permit first.
 - Lindsey explained a previous similar case in which that was not required.
- Robin said he is in favor of permit re-issuance.
- Slavich – Motion to recommend re-issuance of a permit
 - Coulon – Seconded
 - Encalade wanted to make sure the deceased brother's family could not obtain a new permit. He was told by LDWF that they could not.
 - MOTION CARRIED (unanimous)

V. Update on Recommendations Made at October 7, 2014 Meeting

- Lindsey said the Board made a recommendation for seventeen permit renewals for Derek Green at its last meeting and that all permits had been issued to Green.

VI. Receive Public Comments

- None.

VII. Set next meeting date

- Robin – Motion to set next meeting date, if needed, in conjunction with the next OTF meeting.*
 - Encalade – Seconded
 - MOTION CARRIED (unanimous)

VIII. Adjournment

- Daisy – Motion to Adjourn
 - Collins – Seconded
 - MOTION CARRIED (unanimous)

Meeting adjourned at approximately 10:23am; Duration of Meeting: approximately 19 min.

Minutes submitted by Ty Lindsey, LDWF Biologist

**The OTF met later the same day as scheduled and set Tuesday, January 13, 2015 as their next meeting date. Therefore, the next Public Oyster Seed Ground Vessel Permit Appeals Board meeting is scheduled for 10:00am on Tuesday, January 13, 2015 at the LDWF offices on the UNO campus.*