

PUBLIC OYSTER SEED GROUND VESSEL PERMIT APPEALS BOARD

MINUTES

August 24, 2021

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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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Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70808.

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August 24, 2021 – 11:00 A.M.
New Orleans Lakefront Airport
6001 Stars and Stripes Blvd
#219
New Orleans, LA 70126

AGENDA

- I. Call to order
 - Meeting called to order by Chairman Jakov Jurisic at approximately 11:08am.
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Roll Call
 - Shane Bagala – Present
 - Tracy Collins – Absent
 - Dan Coulon – Present
 - Byron Encalade – Present
 - Jakov Jurisic – Present
 - Brad Robin – Present
 - Sam Slavich – Present
 - Peter Vujnovich, Jr. – Present

Quorum present.

- IV. Approval of Agenda
 - Vujnovich – Motion to Approve Agenda
 - Robin – Seconded
 - MOTION CARRIED (unanimous)
- V. Approval of Minutes from Meeting of September 23, 2020
 - Robin – Motion to Approve
 - Vujnovich – Seconded
 - MOTION CARRIED (unanimous)
- VI. Hearing of New Renewal Permit Appeals
 1. Scott Parker (attending)
 - Ty Lindsey, Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries biologist told the Board that Parker held 2019 permits on vessels LA3710BW and LA4179GE under his name. Permit expired for renewal purposes on December 31, 2020. Attempted to renew the permit on or about January 6, 2021. States he did not renew his permit due to a lack of funds caused by COVID-19. He also states that he did not receive renewal notices for any of his permits.
 - Jurisic said the board had heard cases of not receiving renewal notices many times.
 - Robin – Motion to recommend permit renewal on both vessels.
 - Vujnovich – Seconded
 - MOTION CARRIED (unanimous)

2. Abiel Paredes Corral (not attending)
 - Represented by Alexander Antonio, who also acted as interpreter, and Marko Antonio.
 - Lindsey told the Board that Abiel held a 2019 permit on vessel LA4478FW under his name. Permit expired for renewal purposes on December 31, 2020. Attempted to renew the permit on or about January 12, 2021. States he did not renew his permit due to not receiving a renewal notice.
 - Encalade requested documentation showing Marko could legally represent Abiel.
 - Anthony Antonio asked if the case could be deferred until Abiel could attend.
 - Coulon said LDWF should write a letter to Abiel explaining that his presence is needed. [Meeting notices to appellants include such wording].
 - Vujnovich – Motion to defer appeal until the next meeting.
 - Robin – Seconded
 - MOTION CARRIED (unanimous)

 3. John S. Mejia (attending)
 - Lindsey told the Board that Mejia Held a 2019 permit on vessel LA3259AR under his name. Permit expired for renewal purposes on December 31, 2020. Attempted to renew the permit on or about May 14, 2021. States he did not know boat registration had expired.
 - Mejia claimed he had a 2020 permit.
 - Board members questioned why Mejia would have been denied renewal if he held a 2020 permit.
 - Lindsey said he would investigate the matter further.
 - Robin – Motion to defer appeal until the next meeting.
 - Encalade – Seconded
 - MOTION CARRIED (unanimous)
- VII. Receive public comments
- Lindsey announced that Board member Buddy Daisy passed away in January.
 - Jurisic said he would approach Willie Daisy about the situation since Willie is a member of the organization that appointed Buddy.
 - Slavich announced his intention to resign from the Board offering no further comment.
- VIII. Set next meeting date
- Vujnovich – Motion to set next meeting date in conjunction with the next OTF meeting.
 - Robin – Seconded
 - MOTION CARRIED (unanimous)
- IX. Adjournment
- Vujnovich – Motion to Adjourn
 - Robin – Seconded
 - MOTION CARRIED (unanimous)
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Meeting adjourned at approximately 12:08pm; Duration of Meeting: approximately 1 hour.

Minutes drafted by Ty Lindsey, LDWF Biologist.