

**Avoyelles Parish Port Commission**  
**170 Honey Bee Lane or P.O. Box 127**  
**Simmesport, Louisiana 71369**

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Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes  
February 17, 2016

Meeting Location: Avoyelles Parish Port Commission Offices  
170 Honey Bee Lane  
Simmesport, LA

Members Present: Tommy Maddie, Chairman, Robert Thevis, Wayne Coco, Henry Moreau, Emeric Dupuy and Walter Moreau

Members Absent: Van Kojis

Guest Present: None

The meeting opened with roll call of members and the Pledge of Allegiance.

A motion was made by Robert Thevis and seconded by Walter Moreau to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the January meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion to pay the bills was made by Walter Moreau and seconded by Henry Moreau. Motion passed unanimously. Current Bills to be paid amount to \$9,576.43. Income since last meeting amounted to \$6,750.00 leaving a balance of \$ 246,702.36. Motion carried unanimously.

Old Business:

Mr. Maddie indicated that the interest of bidders on the Water Tower Project was very strong. He reported that bid packages had been picked up by several general contractors and subcontractors. It was reported that 14" reinforced concrete piles would be used on the 300,000 gallon tower and 16" reinforced concrete piles would be used on the 400,000 gallon tower.

Mr. Maddie reported that our consultants who are seeking a grant for the purchase of the old elementary school property, Frey/Maghee, indicated that a USDA grant is looking very good. The grant amount being requested is for \$180,000.

New Business:

Mr. Maddie reported that the Water Tower Bids are due on March 3, 2016 at 2:00 p.m. The bid package is set up to build a 300,000 gallon and a 400,000 gallon water tank depending on the amount of money. The 300,000 gallon tank and tower is estimated to

cost approximately \$1.2 million dollars and the 400,000 gallon tank and tower is estimated to cost approximately \$1.4 million dollars. Plans also call for a limestone road from the highway to the tower. Bids will be opened at the Port Office.

Mr. Maddie reported that the State of Louisiana is now requiring that the Port provide a sewage treatment plant with a capacity to treat 250,000 gallons before they will give the Port the Certification is needs to be an official site. Mr. Maddie reported that our grant consultants contacted Meyer, Meyer, Lacrois, Hixon and they suggested that we consider using package plant that will handle 300,000 gallons of sewage requiring about a half - acre of land. Our grant consultants are currently looking into what is available.

Mr. Maddie reported that he has floated the dates of April 28 or May 5 for our annual appreciation crawfish boil event. As soon as we get some feedback from some or our major supporters, a final date will be set.

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Walter Moreau and seconded by Robert Thevis. The motion was passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted By  
Wayne Lawrence Coco, Secretary/Treasurer  
Avoyelles Parish Port Commission



Date: 2.18.16