

**IN-PERSON MEETING OF THE
LOUISIANA BOARD OF ANIMAL HEALTH**

**August 30th, 2024, 10:00 A.M.
LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND FORESTRY
VETERANS MEMORIAL AUDITORIUM
5825 FLORIDA BOULEVARD
BATON ROUGE, LA 70806**

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Craig Fontenot at 10:00 a.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Dr. Fontenot led the Board in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called by Sara Novak.

Members present: Dr. Craig Fontenot, DVM; Thomas Early; Vendal Fairchild; Lennie Crawford; Kurt Cazayoux; David Mains; Rayburn Smith; Law Ponder; Dr. James Cooper, DVM; Giles Brown; Dale Cambrel; Dr. Anna Chapman, DVM*

Members Absent: Brady Rutledge; Sara Byrd; Nickey Smith; Dan Cason

*Dr. Anna Chapman arrived at approximately 10:02 A.M

A quorum was present at all times.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comments were received at this time.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Dr. James Cooper moved to approve the minutes as written from the board's July 12th, 2024, meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Rayburn Smith and passed unanimously.

LIVESTOCK MARKET HEARING

A.Wald Livestock Market- Hearing on Petition for Reconsideration of Agency Decision

Mr. Moak appeared to the board on behalf of Mr. Anton and Mr. John Wald for the petition for reconsideration on their Livestock Market buying station application. On July 12th, 2024, the Board of Animal Health denied Mr. Anton and Mr. John Wald application for a Livestock Buying Station. Mr. Moak is asking that the Board grant a re-hearing for their application.

Mr. Moak proceeds to explain why he believes the Board should consider the application for re-consideration.

Mr. Brandon Davis on behalf of the Department advises the board to regulate the proceeding according to Statute LA 41977.1B which state that the board will only vote on a re-hearing of the application.

Ms. Terrell Kent, the hearing officer, asks the board to make a motion to accept or deny the applicants motion for reconsideration. Mr. Craig Fontenot motions for the board to grant reconsideration, seconded by Mr. Thomas Early and passed unanimously. Mr. Craig Fontenot makes a motion that the board will preside over the hearing. The motion was seconded by Mr. Fairchild and passed unanimously.

The application for a re-hearing for the Wald Livestock market application was granted.

The date for the hearing will be determined at a later date.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business.

NEW BUSINESS

Daniel Myrick, DVM State Veterinarian Approval

Assistant Commissioner Michelle Ribera asks the board to approve and appoint Dr. Daniel Myrick, DVM as State Veterinarian. Mrs. Michelle Ribera goes on to tell the board of Dr. Daniel Myricks experience with the department. The board unanimously approved and appointed Dr. Daniel Myrick, DVM State Veterinarian.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Board member Dale Cambre wanted to inform the board that red wolves were back in the state.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Assistant Commissioner Michelle Ribera briefly reminded the board to complete their annual Prevention of Sexual Harassment training that should be completed by November 1, 2024.

NEXT MEETING

The date for the board's next meeting was not set and will be determined later.

ADJOURNMENT

Dr. Craig Fontenot called for a motion to adjourn the meeting, Rayburn Smith seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. Meeting was adjourned at 10:23 p.m.