MEETING OF THE NORTHWEST LOUISIANA GAME AND FISH PRESERVE COMMISSION

Meeting held on December 6, 2022

Present were Chairman Lonadier and Commissioners Cooper, Tingle and Wilson.

On motion by Cooper and seconded by Tingle, the minutes were accepted as written.

Chairman Lonadier recognized guests from the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries including Villis, Wesley and Brittany.

Commissioner Wilson gave a report on the boat ramps. He advised that everything was in good shape. He said the big oak tree had been taken down and removed from the Dickson Boat Ramp location. On motion by Cooper and seconded by Tingle an invoice for \$1,000.00 for removal of the oak tree was approved.

Villis Dowden then gave a report on lake management. He said 2023 would be the third year of the three year population study. At the present time there does appear to be population decreases especially in bass. He also found some decreased growth in the crappie population.

Wesley Maddox advised the Commission there was still about a hundred and fifty acres of giant salvinia that needed to be sprayed. He was going to wait on winter weather to see if he needed to let another contract for spraying. He also said the drawdown for the boat ramp construction had a major impact on the giant salvinia on the north end of the lake complex.

Chairman Lonadier gave a report on the new boat ramp location. He said the canal had been excavated and the ramp was poured but not accepted by the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries. The contractor was going to do an overlay on top of the freshly poured ramp. Concerns were voiced about the delays in construction.

On motion properly made and seconded the Commission agreed to leave the gates open until January 30, 2023.

No information concerning the Facebook page.

Commissioner Wilson advised that the ditch at the CD Baker boat ramp will eventually need some log removal. Commissioner Wilson further advised that the power line at the Dickson Boat Ramp had been removed.

Concerning new business on motion by Cooper and seconded by Tingle the invoice amount of \$30.00 in addition to the \$1,000.00 mentioned above was approved.

On motion by Tingle and seconded by Wilson the payment to LZ Trichel was ratified.

On motion by Wilson and seconded by Tingle the Commission agreed to pay the boat ramp rental to Connie Bedgood.

Assistant Secretary Treasurer Steven Crews was advised to put the appointment of the Commissioner to fill the current vacant spot on the next agenda.

On motion by Cooper and seconded by Tingle the meeting was adjourned.

STEVEN D. CREWS