

**Saline Lake Game and Fish Preserve Commission**

**P. O. Box 847, Winnfield, LA 71483**

**Meeting Date: April 24, 2025**

**Time: 4:00 PM**

**Location: Saline Lake Fire Station, 334 Collins Camp Road, Winnfield, LA 71483**

**Call to Order @ 16:00 – G. Jones**

**Invocation and Pledge – G Jones**

**Adopt / Amend Agenda – Motion by NV second by CB yea all - nay None**

**Adopt previous Meeting Minutes – Motion by CB second by NV yea all , nay None**

**Introduction of Police Jury Members Present: Daryl Franks , Stanley Garrett**

**Introduction of Wildlife and Fisheries Representatives – Kane Finkbeiner & Wesley Maddox (Aquatic plant control) Villis Dowden, & Weston Mallette (Biologist)**

**Commissioner Reports –**

➤ **FINANCIALS – Bank balance –17,327.27 - CD 11887.57 – Nathan Vercher**

➤ **Duck Blind Permitting – Nathan Vercher ➤**

2025-26 Permits available 08/01/2025 through 10/31/2025

Rules – no changes since last update \*Copy of rules with every permit\*

Mail payment to PO Box 847 Winnfield, La 71483

➤ **LADOTD Dam Inspection / Level Gauge – Pool Level gauge & Rain gauge Installed and operational**

➤ **Louisiana Auditors -**

➤ **Corp of Engineers Vicksburg• No Corp of Engineering requests for 2025 known**

➤ **SLGFPC Board Members attendance record**

Present: C. Blundell ,M. Clark, G. Jones , T. Morgan & N. Vercher

Absent: C. Beasley , G. Brock

**Old Business - Woody growth in shallows needs control**

**New Business**

Drawdown status

**La Dept of WLF Representative Report - Recap -** The current status of Saline Lake in regards to giant salvinia is better than it has been in years, But to keep from losing ground on the battle, the LaDWLF recommends a drawdown from June until October. Under current lake conditions the drawdown was delayed until July to help suppress woody growth in shallows and provide better lake access for the public during the 4th of July holiday. Fish sampling to occur in spring of 2026

**Public Comments:** There was opposition to allowing fishing during the drawdown. Also opposition to keeping the boom at the pipeline. And opposition to duck blind permits in general.

**Adjournment @ 17:40 Motion by CB second by NV yea all , nay None**