

**Washington Parish Reservoir Commission**  
**January 5, 2005**  
**Minutes of meeting**

Chairman Huey Pierce called the meeting to order. Roll call was taken with all Commissioners being present.

**Agenda Item #3 Remarks by Chairman Pierce (Attachment # 1)**

Chairman Pierce gave comments concerning the charge of the Commission and contact information for affected property owners.

Reverend Bob Adams gave the invocation.

**Agenda Item #5 Engineering Presentation by Denmon Engineering**

Denmon Engineering, in conjunction with Burns Cooley Dennis Inc., Tom Bourland & Associates and R. C. Goodwin & Associates, presented to the Commission the Potable Water Reservoir Site Selection Report. After review of the report, Denmon Engineering recommended Site #2 be chosen as the site for the reservoir.

On a motion by Bill Jenkins, second by Mike Burris, to accept the recommendation of Denmon Engineering of site #2 and proceed with permitting the project passed unanimously by roll call vote. (attachment #2).

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned by Chairman Pierce.

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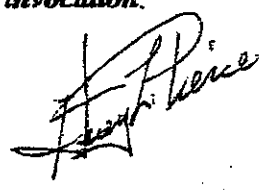
Huey L. Pierce  
Chairman

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Washington Parish Reservoir Commission  
Chairman remarks for Meeting: Jan. 5, 2005

1. The legal charge to this Commission is to develop the wealth and natural resources of the district by conserving soil and water for agricultural, recreational, commercial, industrial and sanitary purposes, create and maintain lakes and reservoirs, and engage in economic development.
2. In pursuit of its purpose and charge, this Commission conducts its business and makes recommendations based on factual, technical and scientific information.
3. This all volunteer, non-pay Commission has engaged professional consultant and engineering firms to conduct the technical research and data gathering process. Thus far, three preliminary sites have been identified as possible locations for potable water reservoirs. While all three of these sites may actually be permitable by the U.S. Corp of Engineers — it is prudent, feasible and sound to recommend and pursue only one site for actual permitting and construction at present.
4. We are now at that economic feasibility juncture of determining and recommending that single site which will be processed and presented to the U.S. Corp of Engineers for permitting. The U.S. Corp of Engineers has the legal jurisdiction for receiving public comments relative to the permitting process.
5. Once this single site is determined, those **directly affected property owners can factually** be determined by name/location/degree. State laws are very clear on such processes and the determination of property values once a permit is issued. Please guard against being a victim of speculation and outright deceit. We especially urge you to require proper identification from anyone presenting themselves as a representative of this Commission, of the State of Louisiana or of the U.S. Corp of Engineers. If you, as a **directly affected property owner**, should have any question of concern, get in touch with this Commission's Consultant, Mr. Mike Thompson, preferably by Email, [mthompson@emmaxcess.com](mailto:mthompson@emmaxcess.com) or, if urgent, by phone (318) 878-4400. This Commission pledges that you will be treated fair and square in a timely and orderly manner.
6. Now, fellow Commissioners, community leaders and citizens, we are at the point of decision, where fact is separated from fiction; where attack letters of willful rumor and deceit, intimidation and threats must be squarely confronted, rightfully evaluated and legally pursued as necessary. No matter the format nor times of publication, such letters do not produce nor change one technical or scientific fact, the basis for this Commission's decisions and recommendations.

There is no ground more solid, nor place so profound, from which to gain insight, wisdom, strength and courage for such tasking, than that at the *foot of the cross*.  
*Let all who will, join us there as Rev. Bob Adams words our invocation.*



RESERVOIR COMMISSION  
VOTING ROLL CALL  
AGENDA ITEM NO. 5

Date: January 5, 2005

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NO.	NAME	YEA	NAY
1	Bob Bateman	✓	
2	Bernie Brennan	✓	
3	Mike Burris	✓	
4	Mike Creel	✓	
5	Henry Harrison	✓	
6	Marshall "Buddy" Jenkins	✓	
7	William A. Jenkins	✓	
8	Charles Mizell	✓	
9	Huey Pierce	✓	
10	Ralph Pierce	✓	
11	Beryl Schilling	✓	