

# ALLIGATOR ADVISORY COUNCIL (AAC)

FRIDAY, JANUARY 10, 2025

10 A.M.

LAFAYETTE LDWF OFFICE

200 DULLES DRIVE

LAFAYETTE, LA 70506

## ATTENDANCE

### Council Members Present

Warren Price  
Jeff Donald  
Tom Bengé  
Nathan Wall  
Raphael Sagrera

### Council Members Absent

Ryan Smith  
Rudy Sparks  
Tim Allen  
Tony Howard

### LDWF Present

Randy Myers  
Mike Perot  
Jeb Linscombe  
Jason Waller  
Eric Ledet  
Tanya Sturman  
Justin Ebarb  
Adam Doyle

### Others Present

John Currier, nuisance hunter  
Chad Courville, Miami Corp  
Mark Shirley, LSU Ag Center  
Joseph Autin, buyer  
Steve Lacy, processor

## ELECTION OF OFFICERS

*Motion made by Jeff Donald to nominate Tim Allen as chairman and Nathan Wall as vice chairman. Tom Bengé seconded. Motion carried.*

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE PREVIOUS AAC MEETING

*Motion made by Jeff Donald to approve the meeting minutes as written. Raphael Sagrera seconded. Motion carried.*

## NOTICE OF INTENT TO EXTEND THE ALLIGATOR SEASON

Tom Benge, Jeff Donald, and Tony Howard will term out on June 30, 2025. The nominations for their replacements should be submitted as soon as possible.

Jeb Linscombe showed the current regulation with proposed changes. LDWF would like to extend the alligator season until December 31<sup>st</sup>. This should not add to overall mortality. It would allow for later guided hunts and for landowners to be able manage alligators around hunting camps and during waterfowl season.

---

*Motion made by Jeff Donald to support the Notice of Intent as presented. Tom Benge seconded. Motion carried.*

---

## PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment.

Mr. Linscombe showed a graph tracking alligator tags issued and alligators harvested from 2010 to 2024. Even though the market has been depressed, the harvest has stayed strong.

Chad Courville suggested that the council have someone from the Health and Hospitals Department present annually about the alligator meat industry and inspections.

---

*Motion made by Tom Benge to adjourn. Jeff Donald seconded. Motion carried.*

---