ALLIGATOR ADVISORY COUNCIL (AAC)

SEPTEMBER 8, 2020 LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES (LDWF) ZOOM MEETING

ATTENDANCE

Council Members Present

Vic Blanchard
John Currier
Tom Benge
Craig Sagrera
Jeff Donald
Randy Moertle

Council Members Absent

Barry Wall Al Marmande Tony Howard

LDWF Present

Buddy Baker Amity Bass Jeb Linscombe Tanya Sturman Joel Courtney

Others Present

Archie Domangue
Breanna Dominguez
Christy Plott
Dinah Duet
Frank Ellender
Mark Shirley
Ryan Schaefer
Noel Kinler

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ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Motion made by Craig Sagrera to nominate Vic Blanchard for chairman. Jeff Donald seconded. Motion carried.

Motion made by Jeff Donald to nominate Barry Wall for vice-chairman. Tom Benge seconded. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE PREVIOUS AAC MEETING

Motion made by John Currier to approve the minutes from the October, 2019 meeting. Tom Benge seconded. Motion carried.

APPROVAL FOR MARKETING AND TECHNICAL REPRESENTATION RFP

Jeb Linscombe discussed the Request for Proposal (RFP) process. The RFP under consideration has already been approved by the Office of State Procurement. LDWF combined the scope of the marketing and technical representation tasks into one RFP. The RFP will result in a three-year contract.

Motion made by Craig Sagrera to move forward with the RFP for Marketing and Technical Representation. Jeff Donald seconded. Motion carried.

Mr. Linscombe asked the Council to select three members, preferably one from each representative category, to serve on the RFP committee with LDWF staff and administration. Jeff Donald volunteered to represent the alligator farmers, John Currier volunteered to represent the alligator hunters, and Tom Benge volunteered to represent the landowners.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Jeb Linscombe mentioned that three council members' terms will expire at the end of June, 2021. Each nominating association should start considering whom they may want to nominate for the next term. The Louisiana Alligator Farmers and Ranchers Association will need to nominate a replacement for Barry Wall. The Louisiana Landowners Association will need to nominate a replacement for Vic Blanchard. The Louisiana Alligator Hunter and Trappers Association will need to nominate a replacement for Al Marmande.

Ryan Schaefer requested clarification on making the nomination from the Louisiana Alligator Hunter and Trappers Association.

Christy Plott said that she is available to the council members at any time.

Motion made by John Currier to adjourn. Tom Benge seconded. Motion carried.