**MINUTES**

**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY**

**LIQUEFIED PETROLEUM GAS COMMISSION**

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2017**

The Liquefied Petroleum Gas Commission held its regular meeting at 2:00 p.m. September 19, 2017, 7919 Independence Blvd Baton Rouge, LA 70806. The meeting was called to order by Mr. Henry “Darty” Smith, Chairman, with the following members present:

 Mr. Ira Cleveland, Commissioner

 Mr. James Hopson, Commissioner

 Attorney Melinda Long

Present also was John W. Alario, Executive Director, and various industry representatives.

On motion by Mr. Hopson seconded by Mr. Cleveland the minutes of the July 2017 meeting were adopted as transcribed and the register of attendance was signed.

The detailed appropriation reports ending July and August 2017 were reviewed.

The statistical reports for the period ending July and August 2017 were reviewed.

The accounting total reports for July 2016/2017 and August 2016/2017 were reviewed.

Report of fires and accidents for July and August 2017 were reviewed.

The compliance audits for July and August 2017 were reviewed.

Dates for the next meetings were set for October 25th & 26th Baton Rouge, LA.

Mr. Alario informed the Commission that he would make the following citations for appearance at the September 2017 meeting and that others may be added prior to distribution of the AD letter:

1. **Citations – Regular –** None
2. **Citations – Insurance –** None
3. **Citations – Permit Renewals –** Possible 15; failure to pay permit renewal.

As of September 15, 2017, the Market Development Fund (MDF) balance is **$194,852.95.**

 Mr. Alario presented the Commission with several proposals recently approved by the Market Development Board. On motion by Mr. Cleveland, seconded by Mr. Hopson, all agreed to use $158,580 of the market development fund towards the Trade shows, Zurich Classic, Miss Louisiana, LA Tech, a sponsorship package with the Sports Hall of Fame, and advertising with Louisiana Outdoor Adventures.

Mr. Randy Hayden of the Louisiana Propane Gas Association (LPGA) approached the Commission. Mr. Hayden briefly updated the Commission on the results of the Miss USA pageant where Miss Louisiana placed in the top seven contestants. Mr. Hayden provided updates on the tailgating sponsorships with LA Tech and the statewide training that is scheduled to start September 30th.

There being no other business, on motion by Mr. Hopson, seconded by Mr. Cleveland the meeting was adjourned.