

Minutes  
Lake Fausse Point, Lake Dauterive, and Grand Avoille Cove  
Advisory Board  
August 27, 2018

The Lake Fausse Point, Lake Dauterive, and Grand Avoille Cove Advisory Board held a Business Meeting on August 27, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. at the Chitimacha Community Center. Members present were Kimberly Walden, David LeBourgeois, Hugh Michael McGowen, David Lapeyrouse, Craig Matthews, Leslie Proctor, Clarence Vappie, Rep. Sam Jones, Rep. Mike Huval, Senator Fred Mills. Ex-officio members present were Jody David. The Board had a quorum present.

Rep. Sam Jones called the meeting to order at 6:10 p.m. Rep. Jones began the meeting with discussion of the current membership noting changes in Parish leadership. Rep. Jones went on to provide updates on the State approved 9 million dollar projects i.e. Cypremont Point Park beach and road improvements, Grand Avoille Cove boat launch improvements and new Chitimacha boat launch to be paid for by federal funds from the BP oilspill settlement.

Rep. Jones reviewed the ecosystem improvement plans previously proposed. After discussion, Rep. Jones stated that we will submit a Capital Outlay Request for sediment removal and relocation for beneficial use. There was also discussion regarding paving the West Atchafalaya Levee Road from Charenton Beach to Lake Fausse Pointe. This road has been in need of improvements for a long time. A paved road would improve access to the lake.

Rep. Sam Jones proposed that we hire consultant Lucien Cutrera to assist Kimberly Walden, Secretary/Treasurer, in completing the Capital Outlay Request. A motion by Clarence Vappie was made to contract Mr. Cutrera in the amount of \$2,500. The motion was seconded by David LeBourgeois. All members were in favor. The motion passed.

The details of the Capital Outlay request were discussed. The committee agreed to include the road improvements into the overall sediment removal and placement plan. It was decided that the Advisory Board would request 5 million dollars for Ecosystem Restoration, Beneficial Use Projects, and Recreation Access

Improvements for Lake Fausse Pointe, Grand Avoille Cove, and Lake Dauterive. A motion to proceed with this plan was made by Leslie Proctor and was seconded by Hugh Michael McGowen. The committee all voted in favor and the motion carried.

The committee also discussed other actions in or near the project area including fencing on the levee between Charenton Beach and Millet Point. Also, discussed were buoys in Charenton Drainage Canal near the Charenton Floodgate and a No Wake Zone newly adopted by the St. Mary Parish Council.

The committee discussed inviting NRCS staff, working to address sediment coming into these waterbodies, to the next meeting as well as representatives from DEQ.

A motion to adjourn was made by Senator Fred Mills and was seconded by Clarence Vappie. The meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m..



Kimberly S. Walden,  
Secretary/Treasurer