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MINUTES OF THE MEETING
OF
LOUISIANA WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION

Thursday, January 3, 2013

Chairman Ann Taylor presiding.

Pat Manuel
Stephen Sagrera
Ronny Graham
Will Drost
Mike Voisin

Chairman Taylor called for a motion for approval of the **December 6, 2012 Commission Minutes**. A motion for approval was made by Commissioner Voisin. Chairman Taylor called for a vote and the motion passed with no opposition.

For the agenda item, **Commission Special Announcements/Personal Privilege**, Commissioner Graham thanked Ann Taylor for her service as Chairman this year and recognized all of her hard work.

Lt. Col. Joey Broussard stated, for the agenda item, **To hear Enforcement & Aviation Reports/December**, the departments planes flew a total of 93.2 aviation hours for the month. There were 6 boating accidents reported with 7 injuries and 1 fatality. Col. Broussard offered a comparison of boating incidents and fatalities this year versus this time in 2011. In 2011 there were 148 incidents by this time versus 141, and 39 fatalities by this time versus 30 in 2012. Overall, compared to 2011, boating accidents, injuries, and deaths are lower in 2012. Three news releases were discussed. The first was on a Barataria man cited with multiple night hunting violations in Jefferson Parish. He was enrolled in the Nutria Control Program. The next was on two Louisiana men cited for duck hunting and boating safety violations in Plaquemines Parish. The last case was on three Cameron Parish men sentenced in Federal Court for illegal shrimping on the Cameron Parish National Wildlife Refuge. There were a total of 1258 cases, 352 written warnings issued during December and agents helped with 52 public assists.

Commissioner Voisin asked if the Commission can get a report on Enforcement activity from the newly expanded boundary. Mr. Broussard stated that he will provide a report on encounters, but that nothing more than a warning has been issued. He expects that activity will pick up in the spring. Mr. Randy Pausina mentioned the compact between the gulf States that would extend all state boundaries to nine miles. He stated that this document would have provisions in it that would address potential issues, and, because of that, there should never be any major issues that arise from the extension of the state boundary.

The next item, **Presentation of Department Financial Report**, was handled by Mrs. Cathy Lockett. Mrs. Lockett stated that she has provided two documents that provide a three-year financial status of the department. The information is provided for prior year, current year, and requested budget. The information in the one-page document is separated by four departments, and the information on the three-page document is separated further, by department, office, and program. Mrs. Lockett pointed out that in FY12 a \$2.2 million mid-year budget cut was incurred. That cut was carried into FY13 and those funds were not restored to the department; however, we did not incur a mid-year budget cut for FY13. The other area Mrs. Lockett pointed out was the Conservation Fund. In FY11 the department collected \$65.7 million, compared to \$82.9 million collected in FY12. The increase is largely attributed to mineral revenues, and these revenues cannot be projected for future years. Commissioner Manuel asked questions about the Conservation fund, and where the extra, unspent, money goes. Mrs. Lockett explained that the extra money is in the Conservation fund, but the ability to spend the money depends on the budget authority granted to the department. At the end of the fiscal year the balance in the funds carries into the next fiscal year. There was discussion on the balance of the Conservation fund. Commissioner Voisin stated that in past years the Commissioners have been provided with a balance of all funds, including beginning balances, expenditures, and ending balances, and asked that they be provided with that. Mrs. Lockett stated that she will provide that. Commissioner Graham asked about the mid-year cut in FY12. Mrs. Lockett called on Chantelle Coates to help explain. Mrs. Coates stated that a few years ago a large amount of budget authority was received by the Office of Fisheries for disaster recovery and a lot of that budget authority remains in the FY13 budget, but all of the federal grant funds have been spent and there are not currently any plans to receive more. In the event of a disaster that we receive federal money for, that budget will be used.

Chairman Taylor asked if the department has received any money from BP. Mrs. Coates answered yes, that the money from BP is in the fees and self-generated means of financing. Commissioner Manuel asked how much that is, and Mrs. Coates answered that the Office of Fisheries receives the majority of money from BP, and they spent \$8 million last year. Chairman Taylor asked for a report on those funds, and Mrs. Coates said that it will be provided.

Commissioner Voisin asked for the Artificial Reef Fund balance. Mrs. Coates answered that it is \$26 million, and at this time, for FY13, \$15 million is budgeted. There was discussion on the Artificial Reef Fund balance, budget, and projected income. Chairman Taylor asked for a detailed report of the Artificial Reef Fund. Assistant Secretary Pausina answered that we are working on that request and will have it for the next meeting, and also explained the difference between budget authority and money spent. Commissioner Graham recommended that all Artificial Reef Funds be budgeted so that it does not get taken away, and discussion ensued. Commissioner Graham stated that \$46 million has been taken in the past, so he recommends that the department do what needs to be done to have projects funded and completed with the money currently available before the money is gone. There was more discussion on the differences

between budget authority, actual expenditures, and associated projects. Mr. Pausina stated that at this time there is a surplus at \$12 million. We can go to the committees and ask for authority to spend that, but we are not guaranteed to get it. Commissioner Voisin commented that the budget can be adjusted up or down, and stated that the Commission is asking the Department to ask for the budget to be adjusted to include the excess money. Discussion ensued, followed by Mr. Pausina stating that everything that has been asked is being done. He stated that the process is very slow. Commissioner Voisin commented that is why it is so important for the Commissioners to see the fund balances. Joe Macaluso, from the Advocate, asked where the \$2.2 million reduction was made, what projects were impacted. Mrs. Lockett answered that most of the cuts came from the Conservation fund, and Mrs. Coates noted that the funds were not taken from us, only the authority to spend the funds. Mrs. Coates stated that the legislature, by statute, is allowed to take a certain percentage of the Conservation fund, but that they did not do that this year, they simply took the budget authority away.

The next item, **To hear General Information on Upcoming Notices of Intent for the 2013-2014 Hunting Seasons**, was handled by Mr. Kenny Ribbeck. Mr. Ribbeck stated that this is just an overview of the protocol for setting hunting seasons. He stated that there will be meetings held with staff and partners to set the seasons, and that information will be presented at the February meeting. There may be possible deer season changes based on the deer survey that was recently conducted. Mr. Ribbeck also stated that the Army has requested that we drop the fall turkey hunting season on Peason Ridge due to a sharp decline in efforts, there being 132 efforts in 2010 versus 36 efforts in 2012. He stated that in-house and federal partner meetings will be held next week, and a meeting with the US Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) will be conducted the final week of January. Both hunting Notices of Intent will be presented in February.

The next item, **To receive and consider a Notice of Intent on Restricted Amphibians and Reptiles**, was handled by Mr. Jeff Boundy. Mr. Boundy stated that these regulations have been recommended by the department and accepted by the Louisiana Reptile and Amphibian Task Force. Mr. Boundy stated that the language in the regulations is being simplified, three species of reptiles are being added, and one species of frog. This is a result of a lawsuit that the USFWS lost, and is intended to protect all species. The department recommendations are to ensure that the department list mirrors that of the USFWS. Commissioner Voisin made a motion to accept the NOI. Commissioner Graham asked about the Eastern Diamondback Rattlesnake, and Mr. Boundy answered that although Louisiana does not have a problem with them, this species was part of the petition to the USFWS. Commissioner Graham seconded the motion. There being no further discussion and no public comment, the motion passed with no opposition.

(The full text of the Notice
Notice of Intent is made
a part of the record.)

NOTICE OF INTENT

Department of Wildlife and Fisheries

Wildlife and Fisheries Commission

Restricted Amphibians and Reptiles

The Wildlife and Fisheries Commission does hereby give notice of its intent to amend and clarify the wording related to Restricted Amphibians and Reptiles, and to add three species to the list of species that are prohibited from take.

Title 76

WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES

PART XV. REPTILES AND AMPHIBIANS

Chapter 1. Guidelines

§101. Recreational and Commercial Harvests; Prohibitions

J. Restricted Amphibians and Reptiles

1. The species listed below are ~~deemed to be especially sensitive to overcollection in the state of Louisiana because of low population levels and/or limited ranges (according to Dundee and Rossman, 1989, The Amphibians and Reptiles of Louisiana, LSU Press, and any pertinent subsequent scientific literature).~~ Collection of these species from the wild in Louisiana for commercial or personal purposes is hereby prohibited. Scientific collecting of these species will be allowed by permit under the following conditions: considered Species of Conservation Concern by the Department.

a. ~~one voucher specimen of these species per site may be collected to document range extensions or confirm the current occurrence of a species suspected to have been extirpated at a site (i.e. not collected in the past 20 years); collecting more than one specimen of these species shall require written justification submitted to and approved by Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, the approved number then being indicated on the permit;~~ No live individual of the species listed in Subpart J.3 may be killed or removed from the wild without permit issued by the department.

b. up to five individuals of these species found dead may be salvaged;

c. any number of individuals of these species may be captured, processed on site (i.e. measured, marked, tissue samples taken by means deemed acceptable by Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, etc.) and immediately released alive ~~where originally found~~ without removal from the site as part of a legitimate scientific study.

2. As more information concerning the status of these and other amphibians and reptiles becomes available, species may be removed from or added to this list.

3. List of ~~Restricted~~ Amphibians and Reptiles that may not be killed or removed from the wild without permit

Ambystoma tigrinum - tiger salamander

Plethodon serratus - southern red-backed salamander

Plethodon websteri - Webster's salamander

Pseudotriton montanus - mud salamander

Pseudotriton ruber - red salamander

Pituophis ruthveni - Louisiana pine snake

Pituophis melanoleucus lodingi - black pine snake

Crotalus adamanteus - eastern diamondback rattlesnake

4. List of Threatened or Endangered Amphibians and Reptiles. ~~In addition to those listed above,~~ The following species are listed as threatened or endangered in Louisiana (LAC 76:I.317) and may not be collected.

Rana sevosa - Mississippi gopher frog

Chelonia mydas - green sea turtle

Eretmochelys imbricata - hawksbill sea turtle

Lepidochelys kempii - Kemp's ridley sea turtle

Dermochelys coriacea - leatherback sea turtle

Caretta caretta - loggerhead sea turtle

Gopherus polyphemus - gopher tortoise

Graptemys oculifera - ringed sawback turtle

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 56:6(10), (13), (15) and (25), R.S. 56:23, and R.S. 56:632.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, Wildlife and Fisheries Commission, LR 20:1135

(October 1994), amended LR 30:2495 (November 2004) LR 31:2569 (October 2005), LR 39: .

The secretary of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries is authorized to take any and all necessary steps on behalf of the Commission to promulgate and effectuate this Notice of Intent and the final Rule, including, but not limited to, the filing of the fiscal and economic impact statement, the filing of the Notice of Intent and final Rule and the preparation of reports and correspondence to other agencies of government.

Interested persons may submit written comments on the proposed Rule to Mr. Robert Love, Coastal Natural Resources Division, Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, Box 98000, Baton Rouge, LA, 70898-9000 no later than 4:30 p.m., February 20, 2013.

In accordance with Act 1183 of 1999 regular session of the Louisiana Legislature, the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries/Wildlife and Fisheries Commission hereby issues its Family Impact Statement in connection with the preceding Notice of Intent: This Notice of Intent will have no impact on the six criteria set out at R.S. 49:972(B).

Ann L. Taylor

Chairman

Mr. Jason Adriance handled the next agenda item, **To receive and consider a Declaration of Emergency for the 2013-2014 Recreational Reef Fish Seasons**. Mr. Adriance stated that this Declaration bridges the gap between the NOI's that are still in the process. Commissioner

Sagrera moved to accept the Declaration of Emergency and Commissioner Voisin seconded the motion. He also asked if this DE is implementing the motion a few months back allowing the Secretary to set the season for Red Snapper. Mr. Adriance answered that is correct. Commissioner Voisin asked to be reminded what the season was that the Commission set. Chairman Taylor stated that it begins the Saturday before Easter and runs weekends through September, Friday, Saturday and Sunday, and there is a three fish limit. The Mondays of the Memorial Day and Fourth of July weekends are included as well. Chairman Taylor asked if this is what will happen. Mr. Pausina stated that what he recommended was to wait until the State Director's meeting and the Reef Fish Committee meetings had taken place, and that we will present the information from those meetings at the February meeting. He stated that unofficially he is hearing that the season will go from 40 to 27 days. He stated that he feels that the Gulf Council and NOAA are moving toward Regional Management, but there is no way it will be in place for the 2013 season. He also recommended inviting Roy Crabtree back for the February meeting. Mr. Pausina stated that we will have to make a decision to stick with the season that is set on good faith that they are moving toward Regional Management, or to go non-compliant. If nothing further is done, Louisiana state waters will be as set earlier in the year, and this DE gives the Secretary the authority to modify.

There being no further discussion and no public comments, the motion passed with no opposition.

(The full text of the
Declaration of Emergency
is made a part of the record.)

DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY

Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries

Wildlife and Fisheries Commission

REEF FISH - HARVEST REGULATIONS

2013-2014 RECREATIONAL REEF FISH SEASONS

The reef fish fishery in the Gulf of Mexico is cooperatively managed by the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries (LDWF), the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission (LWFC) and the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) with

advice from the Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council (Gulf Council). Regulations promulgated by NMFS are applicable in waters of the Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ) of the United States. NMFS typically requests consistent regulations in order to enhance the effectiveness and enforceability of regulations for EEZ waters. However, there may be a need for state regulations to differ from regulations promulgated by NMFS at times.

Recreational season rules have been established for reef fish in the Gulf of Mexico and in Louisiana state waters and both fisheries operate under recreational quotas. If the quota is projected to be reached, NMFS is required by law to close the season to restrain fishing within the established quota for the species in water of the EEZ.

Adoption of compatible regulations for Louisiana state waters where and when feasible enhances effectiveness and enforceability of the regulations already in place for reef fishes harvested in the EEZ off of Louisiana. Unforeseen circumstances may occur which may lead to modification of the recreational seasons to restrain the fisheries within the recreational quota, requiring a modification in established regulations.

In accordance with the emergency provisions of R.S. 49:953 which allows the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries and the

Wildlife and Fisheries Commission to employ emergency procedures to promulgate seasonal rules to set finfish seasons, R.S. 56:6(25) (a) and R.S. 56:326.3 which provide that the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission may set seasons for saltwater finfish, the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission hereby declares:

The secretary of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries is hereby authorized to modify those portions of LAC 76:VII.335 pertaining to any reef fish recreational daily harvest limits and any reef fish recreational seasons if NOAA-NMFS institutes sub-regional management for the any reef fish species, a state allocation or quota has been met, or if he deems it necessary, following notification of the chairperson of the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission.

Such authority shall extend through January 31, 2014.

Ann L. Taylor

Chairman

Mr. Jason Adriance also handled the next agenda item, **To receive and consider a Declaration of Emergency establishing a trip limit for the 2013 Commercial Greater Amberjack Season.** Mr. Adriance stated that this DE would establish a 2000 pound trip limit for Commercial Greater Amberjack as a consistency measure. Commissioner Voisin moved to adopt the NOI and Commissioner Graham seconded the motion. There being no further discussion and no public comment, the motion passed with no opposition.

(The full text of the
Declaration of Emergency
is made a part of the record.)

DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY

Department of Wildlife and Fisheries

Wildlife and Fisheries Commission

REEF FISH - HARVEST REGULATIONS

2013 GREATER AMBERJACK COMMERCIAL TRIP LIMIT

In accordance with the emergency provisions of R.S. 49:953, which allows the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries and the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission to use emergency procedures to set finfish seasons, R.S. 56:6(25)(a) and R.S. 56:326.3 which provide that the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission may set seasons for saltwater finfish, the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission hereby declares:

The trip limit for the commercial harvest of greater amberjack in Louisiana state waters shall be 2,000 pounds whole weight. The 2,000 pound whole weight trip limit will remain in effect throughout the 2013 season for the commercial harvest of greater amberjack in Louisiana state waters.

The Commission also hereby grants authority to the Secretary of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries to modify the commercial trip limits for greater amberjack described herein for Louisiana state waters if he is informed by NMFS that the trip limits for the commercial harvest of greater amberjack in the Federal waters of the Gulf of Mexico as set out herein have been modified, and that NMFS requests that those trip limits be modified in Louisiana state waters, or as needed to

effectively implement the provisions herein upon notification to the Chairman of the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission. Such authority shall extend through January 31, 2014.

Effective with the provisions under this Emergency Rule, a vessel shall not possess on any trip, or sell, barter, trade, or exchange greater amberjack in excess of the designated 2,000 pound whole weight trip limit, regardless of where taken. Further, no person, shall purchase, barter, trade, or exchange from any person greater amberjack in excess of the 2000 pound whole weight trip limit. Greater amberjack may only be in possession during the open commercial season by legally licensed commercial fishermen.

Ann L. Taylor

Chairman

To receive and consider a Declaration of Emergency for the 2013-14 Commercial King Mackerel Season was the final item to be handled by Mr. Adriance. Commissioner Voisin made a motion to adopt the DE, and Commissioner Graham seconded the motion. There being no discussion and no public comment, the motion passed with no opposition.

(The full text of the
Declaration of Emergency
is made a part of the record.)

DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY

Department of Wildlife and Fisheries

Wildlife and Fisheries Commission

Commercial King Mackerel Harvest

2013-14 Commercial King Mackerel Season

In accordance with the provisions of R.S. 49:953 which allows the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries and the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission to employ emergency procedures to establish seasonal rules to set finfish seasons, R.S. 56:6(25)(a) and 56:326.3 which provide that the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission may set seasons for saltwater finfish; the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission hereby sets the following season for the commercial harvest of king mackerel in Louisiana state waters:

The commercial season for king mackerel in Louisiana state waters will open at 12:01 a.m., July 1, 2013 and remain open until the allotted portion of the commercial king mackerel quota for the western Gulf of Mexico has been harvested or projected to be harvested.

The Commission grants authority to the Secretary of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries to close the commercial king mackerel season in Louisiana state waters when he is informed by the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) that the commercial king mackerel quota for the western Gulf of Mexico has been harvested or is projected to be harvested. Such closure order shall close the season until 12:01 a.m., July 1, 2014, which is the

date expected to be set for the re-opening of the 2014-15 commercial king mackerel season in Federal waters.

The Commission also authorizes the Secretary to open additional commercial king mackerel seasons in Louisiana state waters if he is informed that NMFS has opened such additional seasons and to close such seasons when he is informed that the commercial king mackerel quota for the western Gulf of Mexico has been filled, or is projected to be filled, or as needed to effectively implement the provisions herein upon notification to the Chairman of the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission.

Effective with seasonal closures under this rule, no person shall commercially harvest, possess, purchase, exchange, barter, trade, sell, or attempt to purchase, exchange, barter, trade, or sell king mackerel, whether taken from within or without Louisiana territorial waters. Also effective with this closure, no person shall possess king mackerel in excess of a daily bag limit, which may only be in possession during the open recreational season by legally licensed recreational fishermen. Nothing shall prohibit the possession or sale of fish by a commercial dealer if legally taken prior to the closure providing that all commercial dealers possessing such fish taken legally

prior to the closure shall maintain appropriate records in accordance with R.S. 56:306.5 and R.S. 56:306.6.

Ann L. Taylor

Chairman

The next agenda item, To hear a Presentation by the Seafood Promotion Board (LSPMB), was handled by Mr. Ewell Smith, Executive Director. Mr. Smith stated that he will go through a snapshot of the past seven years for the board and for the industry. He stated that by law the LSPMB is to enhance the public image of the commercial fisheries products, thereby promoting the consumption of these products to assist the commercial seafood industry, including commercial fishermen, and wholesale and retail dealers. Mr. Smith reviewed the many challenges the industry has faced over the past decade as a result of natural disasters such as Hurricane's Katrina, Rita, Gustav and Ike, and the Deepwater Horizon oil spill. He touched on the efforts that the Board made in securing funding to deal with the disasters. He stated that it took the industry two years to overcome Hurricane Katrina, and even longer for the Deepwater Horizon oil spill. Mr. Smith provided an overview of their crisis management actions, and lessons they learned, such as how important relationships with chefs are for the industry. Mr. Smith stated that when the oil spill happened the board had \$2 million, and one of the first things they did was hire a former CBS writer and setup a website called LouisianaSeafoodNews.com, which is still up and running today. This allowed them to create stories for the media. The newsroom is still used today. Mr. Smith touched on the key initiatives of the LSPMB. He showed a video that was produced by Blue Cross Blue Shield as part of their LA 2-Step partnership. He went through a list of several other initiatives by the board.

Mr. Smith went on to discuss next steps. He stated that Act 852, signed by the Governor, states that there will be a whole new board. He said the board has also been reduced from 16 to 14 members. Going forward, Mr. Smith stated that their job is to continue to do what they have been doing. He discussed the BP funding and federal grants. The annual budget is usually around \$500,000 to \$600,000, and to ensure that funding remains, they are constantly working to secure additional funding. He also stated that the board has a small staff of four people who are very passionate about what they do.

The next agenda item was **To receive and consider a Resolution to commend the Service of the Board Members and Staff of the Seafood Promotion and Marketing Board.** Commissioner Voisin made a motion to adopt the resolution, and Commissioner Drost seconded the motion. There being no discussion and no public comment, the motion passed with no opposition.

(The full text of the Resolution is made a part of the record.)

LOUISIANA WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION

RESOLUTION TO COMMEND

LOUISIANA SEAFOOD PROMOTION AND MARKETING BOARD

A meeting of the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission was held in accordance with the laws of the State of Louisiana on January 3, 2013. A quorum of members was present.

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Seafood Promotion and Marketing Board (hereinafter referred to as "Board") was created by Act 890 of the 1981 Louisiana Legislature, LA R.S. 56:578.1;

WHEREAS, the Board was created to "...enhance the public image of commercial fishery products, thereby promoting the consumption of these products and, further, to assist the seafood industry, including commercial fishermen and wholesale and retail dealers, in market development so as to better utilize existing markets and to aid in the establishment of new marketing channels";

WHEREAS, Louisiana's seafood community has endured significant challenges related to Hurricanes Katrina, Rita, Gustav, Ike and Isaac as well as the Deepwater Horizon oil spill;

WHEREAS, the board is governed by fourteen members and has a staff of five, who, under the leadership of Executive Director Ewell Smith and Assistant Executive Director Kristin McLaren, have played a vital role in helping the seafood community overcome the challenges related to these disasters;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission hereby recognize and commend the service of the board members and staff of the Louisiana Seafood Promotion and Marketing Board.

Motion to adopt this resolution made by _____, seconded by _____. After a voice vote, the chairman declared the motion PASSED and Resolution No. _____ ADOPTED on the 3rd day of January, 2013.

Ann L. Taylor, Chairman

For the next agenda item, **Election of Chairman and Vice-Chairman**, Commissioner Sagrera moved to elect Commissioner Graham for Chairman, and Commissioner Voisin seconded the motion. The motion passed with no opposition. Commissioner Sagrera then made a motion to

elect Commissioner Voisin as Vice-Chairman, and Commissioner Manuel seconded the motion. The motion passed with no opposition.

The Commissioners set the **May Commission Meeting** on May 2, 2013.

There were no **Public Comments**.

Commissioner Sagrera expressed his gratitude to Ann Taylor for her service as Chairman for the past year.

There being no further business, Chairman Taylor **Adjourned** the meeting.

Ronny Graham
Chairman