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BOARD MEETING

Tuesday, October 26, 1971

10:00 o'clock a.m.

Wild Life and Fisheries
Building
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. . . The Board Meeting of the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission convened at 10:00 o'clock a.m. on Tuesday, October 26, 1971, at the Wild Life and Fisheries Building, 400 Royal Street, New Orleans, Louisiana, Mr. H. C. Wright, Vice-Chairman presiding. . . .

PRESENT WERE:

H. C. Wright, Vice-Chairman

C. M. Hoffpauer, Director

Lloyd Autin

J. E. Kyle, Jr.

Hobson Norris

J. L. Winfree

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A G E N D A

1. Approval of the minutes of the meeting on August 17, 1971. (5)
2. Set date for next board meeting. (5)
3. Renewal of contract of George Stringer, Attorney, with the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission. (6)



RICHARD K. YANCEY

4. Ducks Unlimited allocation. (7)

LYLE S. ST. AMANT

5. Request by Solitude Point Gravel Co., Inc. for permit to dredge sand and gravel in the Mississippi River and Profit Island Chute. (17)

6. Request by Broadway and Seal, Civil Engineers, for permit to use fill material resulting from construction of boat channel. (18)

7. Request by M. L. Green to dredge sand from Amite River. (20)

8. Request by Fazzio Construction Company for permit to dredge fill material from the Mississippi River. (22)

9. Acceptance of Bay Gardene facility. (23)

10. Contract approval for study of authority of Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission by LSU Law School and Sea Grant Program. (26)

JOE L. HERRING

11. Renewal of lease agreement on West Bay (30)



Wildlife Management Area.

42. Renewal of lease agreement on Lutcher Moore Wildlife Management Area. (33)

13. Addition to Georgia Pacific Wildlife Management Area. (45)

44. Geophysical survey permit for Saline Wildlife Management Area. (49)

15. Road right-of-way on Saline Wildlife Management Area. (55)

46. Materials request by LaSalle Parish Police Jury. (58)

17. Discussion of road access on Three Rivers Wildlife Management Area. (60)

18. Consider request by South Central Bell to bury a telephone cable on Spring Bayou Wildlife Management Area. (62)

19. Consider request by Edward Wisner Committee for a release of leased acreage in the Port Development Area. (66)

20. Acceptance of boat ramp repairs at Deer Park Lake, Concordia Parish. (69)

21. Doe season for a portion of Pointe Coupee Parish. (71)



~~22.~~ Delete doe season for a portion of (74)
St. Charles Parish.

~~23.~~ Approval of well drilling by Macpet (76)
above Bonnet Carre Spillway.

OTHER BUSINESS.

~~✓~~ Closing of Ostrica Locks (78)

Adjournment (85)

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THE CHAIRMAN: The Commission meeting for
October 26 will come to order. Approval of minutes
of meeting of August 17.

MR. KYLE: So move.

THE CHAIRMAN: Do I hear a second?

MR. NORRIS: Second.

THE CHAIRMAN: Moved by Mr. Kyle, seconded
by Mr. Norris that the minutes be approved as sent.
Is there any opposition? There being none, so
ordered.

Gentlemen, we need to set the date for



the next Board meeting. Do I hear a suggestion for it? I think we ought to meet, instead of the fourth Tuesday, I think we ought to meet on the fifth Tuesday. There was some conflict, and in the hunting season and the holidays, if we go on the fifth Tuesday, it will be all right. So the next board meeting will be on the -- what is it, the 29th and 30th, or the 30th and 31st? What is it? When does the duck season end? On the 28th?

MR. HOFFPAUER: 28th.

THE CHAIRMAN: Well, that's a Sunday, so it will be the 29th and 30th, the next Board meeting.

Mr. George Stringer's contract as one of the attorneys for the Wild Life and Fisheries Commission is on a year-to-year basis and the time is for renewal for another year. Do I hear a motion that we renew his contract for another year?

MR. KYLE: So move.

THE CHAIRMAN: Moved by Mr. Kyle. Do I hear a second?

MR. WINFREE: Mr. Chairman, are you on the Stringer matter?

THE CHAIRMAN: Yes, sir.



MR. WINFREE: My impression was that it was to be renewed until May.

THE CHAIRMAN: To May of this coming year.

MR. WINFREE: May of '72.

THE CHAIRMAN: That's six months. I believe that is exactly right.

MR. AUTIN: Second.

THE CHAIRMAN: It has been moved by Mr. Kyle, seconded by Mr. Autin, that we renew Mr. Stringer's contract until May of 1972. Is there any discussion? Any opposition?

(No response)

There being none, so ordered.

Mr. Yancey.

MR. YANCEY: This item on the agenda pertains to allocation to Ducks Unlimited for purposes of constructing, maintaining and preserving wetland habitat in Canada that produces ducks and other migratory birds that winter here in Louisiana. I think we all know that about 80 to 85 percent of the birds that winter in the United States are produced in Canada, and that these birds produce a tremendous amount of recreational opportunity in

the form of duck and goose hunting here in this state. I think last year we had 127,000 duck stamp buyers in Louisiana and they harvest about 2.6 million ducks and about 90,000 geese. The key to preserving and maintaining our waterfowl populations in the years ahead, of course, lies with the maintenance of adequate wetland habitat on the continent and this is the only means whereby funds can be used in Canada for waterfowl habitat work, and this is through Ducks Unlimited, a widely known private conservation organization.

We would like to recommend at this time that the Commission authorize an allocation of \$34,738.25 to Ducks Unlimited. Now this would be the final payment on the sale of hunting licenses for the fiscal year '70-'71.

THE CHAIRMAN: Mr. Yancey, isn't this the most money that was ever given to Ducks Unlimited by Louisiana?

MR. YANCEY: This would be a total of \$84,738.25. This would be the contribution to Ducks Unlimited, based on the sale of hunting licenses for the year of '70-'71.



THE CHAIRMAN: Isn't that the largest amount?

MR. YANCEY: Yes, this would be the most.

THE CHAIRMAN: This is up about --

MR. YANCEY: This is up. More hunting licenses were sold this year and it was to a great extent due to the increased participation in duck hunting in this state last season. This past season we had about 22,000 more duck hunters that hunted ducks in this state than we have ever had before. Prior to this past season the top duck stamp sales had been running about 105,000, but last season they jumped to 127,000 in Louisiana.

MR. WINFREE: Mr. Yancey, may I ask you a question? How does this contribution of the State of Louisiana compare with other states that contribute to Ducks Unlimited?

MR. YANCEY: This puts us in the top three states in the United States. California and New York are the other two major contributors, and we are No. 3. We are in the top three; we won't know exactly where this will place, but we know that it will put us in the top three.



MR. WINFREE: Mr. Yancey, yesterday I asked you a question relative to shortstopping of geese and also Mr. Hoffpauer, and I see Mr. Cook is here and also Mr. Duffy. I wonder if you would make the observation to me as to what you did yesterday relative to what we could expect.

MR. YANCEY: Well, of course, the blue and snow goose populations have traditionally wintered in the coastal areas of Louisiana. Louisiana usually winters about 95 percent of the world's population of blue geese, but in recent years refuges and feeding areas have been established in the Midwest and as a result of this, more and more blue and snow geese are wintering in Missouri and Iowa and Kansas than ever before. Of course, last year in early December we made a trip up there and found a large percentage of the geese that should be down here wintering up there. This activity is known as shortstopping activity in waterfowl management circles. We don't know at this point what the extent of shortstopping will be this year, but we are going to check again in early December, make a trip up there, and determine just how many birds



are being held over in those states up there that should be wintering here in Louisiana. We feel that we are going to be faced with another short-stopping situation this winter.

Now this matter, of course, received the attention of the Louisiana Congressional delegation last winter. They in turn contacted the Interior Department people in Washington and they received letters and other correspondence from the officials of the Interior Department who stated that measures were going to be taken this year to reduce this extent of shortstopping. Apparently they have taken some measures and it is going to remain to be seen just how effective these will be. We don't really feel that they are going to do the job, but we will give them an opportunity and we will see what effect it is going to have.

MR. WINFREE: Wasn't there an observation also made by Mr. Hoffpauer last night to the extent that in the next five years that our mallard population would be gone from this state?

MR. YANCEY: Well, we have lost our Canada goose populations completely as a result of short-



stopping activities in Missouri, Illinois, Wisconsin. Now most of the mallard population winters in the Midwest, probably 80 percent or more, so we have been affected by mallard shortstopping activity for a number of years. We don't think really we are ever going to, you know, completely lose our wintering population of mallards, but we have been seriously affected by the establishment of areas attractive to mallards in the Midwest. We have lost our Canada geese. We have lost a large percentage of our wintering mallard population and now we are beginning and have begun to lose a large percentage of our wintering blue goose flock.

MR. WINFREE: Mr. Yancey, tonight in Baton Rouge there is a Ducks Unlimited banquet. I believe it is the first time in recent years that there has been a chapter actually activated in the Baton Rouge area. I am wondering now whether or not, inasmuch as Louisiana will be in the top three on contributions to Ducks Unlimited, if that wouldn't be a good project for Ducks Unlimited themselves to begin to work on, assisting in preventing some of this shortstopping of mallards and



blue geese in the Midwest. After all, Louisiana is entitled to something.

MR. YANCEY: Right. Of course, the main drive of Ducks Unlimited has to do with the maintenance and development of waterfowl habitat in Canada, but they do, of course, involve themselves in activities in the United States as it affects the sport of duck hunting. They have consistently backed the adoption of reasonable hunting regulations in this country to hunt under. We have about two million waterfowl hunters in the country. They have not, to my knowledge, taken any position one way or the other with regard to this shortstopping activity but it could certainly be a matter of discussion with them.

We agree and feel that their main purpose should continue to be the maintenance and preservation of habitat in Canada, and then we will fight our battles with the other states and with the Interior Department over shortstopping activities.

MR. HOFFPAUER: Here is the problem. The federal government said we will quit farming blue and snow geese on our refuges. But you have so



many state refuges in Kansas, which is never thought to be a waterfowl state, and it has developed tremendous wetland areas now. We are going to be with some of the people here shortly, and unless the federal government says these people in Iowa, Illinois, and so forth, and Missouri and Kansas, are not going to be allowed to hunt blue and snow geese, there is no way in the world to stop them from shortstopping them, because in these states it is a good sport. You can even look in this month's Outdoor Life, and there is a big ad in the back about come up and shoot the blues and snows in Iowa, and in the Dakotas also. They hold them and they farm for them, and traditionally they make one or two stops, but now they just -- I am afraid, say, looking at five to ten years, until we have the same thing that we had in our Canada goose, because 50,000 birds in that White Lake area and now you are looking at maybe 200. That's how drastic the change is.

THE CHAIRMAN: Gentlemen, you all have heard the proposal. Is there any certain place that we should -- you know, every year we give



this check to Ducks Unlimited. Don't they have the Ducks Unlimited state meeting in New Orleans pretty soon?

MR. YANCEY: Monday night, this coming Monday night.

THE CHAIRMAN: This next Monday? Do you all think we ought to give it to them at that state meeting? We have done it once or twice before.

MR. WINFREE: I think, Mr. Chairman, everyone in Louisiana who is concerned about duck hunting and the sport of duck hunting should be informed as much as possible about this and, as Dick pointed out, I don't know whether Ducks Unlimited can do anything about it, but certainly the contributors that buy the hunting licenses that contribute to the sending of this money up, they are concerned and I think Mr. Hoffpauer just made the observation again that I wanted to hear. He said within the next ten years that we may not have mallards or blue geese, that it would be the same thing as the Canadians, so what he is actually saying is that we could be out of business in ten years here in Louisiana. Is that correct, Mr. Hoffpauer?



MR. HOFFPAUER: That's right.

MR. WINFREE: Do you hear that, Mr. Cook?
O.K., good.

THE CHAIRMAN: Gentlemen, what is your pleasure about this? Do we have to have a motion?

MR. KYLE: So move.

MR. WINFREE: Second.

THE CHAIRMAN: Moved by Mr. Kyle, seconded by Mr. Winfree, that we give Ducks Unlimited their final adjustment payment for their work in Canada. Any opposition?

(No response)

There being none, so ordered.

THE CHAIRMAN: Dr. St. Amant.

MR. WINFREE: One more thing, Mr. Chairman, before we get to Dr. St. Amant. Mr. Kyle, since you made that motion, would you consider perhaps offering a resolution congratulating the hunters and the Ducks Unlimited people in the State of Louisiana on the fine work they are doing. After all, we are spending their money.

MR. KYLE: Yes, and I want to ask something else. Have we given them the check yet? I



would suggest, I would like to suggest, that the check be made out and that the Director be requested to present it to some official of Ducks Unlimited at one of the suppers, to get us the maximum good out of it, and let the hunters see what their money is going for.

MR. HOFFPAUER: A little observation here. In the DU magazine, it's not their fault; you're supposed to take your own pictures; but these little paltry checks -- I'm not putting other states down -- get great big spreads, and I don't think we have been in there once.

MR. KYLE: Mr. Chairman, may I suggest that you appoint a committee of two to get the maximum good publicity out of this, Mr. Hoffpauer and Mr. Cook?

THE CHAIRMAN: I think that would be a fine suggestion. So ordered. Doctor.

DR. ST. AMANT: Mr. Chairman, members of the Commission, ladies and gentlemen, we have several items on the agenda today. The first is a request by the Solitude Point Gravel Company, Inc., for a permit to dredge for sand and gravel.



in the Mississippi River and the Profit Island Chute. Now the Solitude Point Gravel Company actually are the owners of Profit Island, and what they propose is that we grant a permit in the vicinity of Profit Island on both sides that they may dredge for sand and gravel in this area. They have submitted this request with the proper maps and other information. It meets the requirements set forth by the Commission and I therefore recommend we grant this permit.

MR. WINFREE: So move.

MR. KYLE: Second.

THE CHAIRMAN: It has been moved by Mr. Winfree, seconded by Mr. Kyle. Is there any discussion? Any opposition?

(No response)

So ordered.

(Text of the resolution
is here made a part of
the record.)

BE IT RESOLVED that the
Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries
Commission does hereby grant permission



to SOLITUDE POINT GRAVEL COMPANY to remove sand and gravel from the Mississippi River and Profit Island Chute between Mile 245 APH and Mile 253 AHP, East Baton Rouge Parish.

DR. ST. AMANT: The second item is a request by Broadway & Seal, Civil Engineers, for a permit to use full material resulting from construction of a boat channel in order to enhance their land. Now this group of operators are working in the St. Tammany area. They are developing an entrance to the St. Tammany Yacht Basin and what they propose is that the fill material which they dredge out of the channel will be used to improve their private land. They expect to dredge approximately 100,000 yards. I would recommend that we grant them a permit for this dredging in order that we receive the proper royalty for this material.

MR. AUTIN: In other words, in addition to the fee, we get royalty for the fill?

DR. ST. AMANT: For fill.

MR. WINFREE: So move.

MR. KYLE: Second.



THE CHAIRMAN: Moved by Mr. Winfree,
seconded by Mr. Kyle. Is there any discussion?
Any opposition?

(No response)

So ordered.

(Text of the resolution
is here made a part of
the record.)

BE IT RESOLVED that the
Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries
Commission does hereby grant per-
mission to Broadway & Seal, Civil
Engineers for Leisure, Inc., to dredge
approximately 100,000 cubic yards of
fill material in construction of a
boat channel from entrance of St.
Tammany Yacht Basin or Grand Lagoon
in St. Tammany Parish, Louisiana.

DR. ST. AMANT: The third is a request
by Mr. M. L. Green to dredge for sand and fill
material from the Amite River in the vicinity just
south of Port Vincent, Louisiana. Now Mr. Green
has a contract with the Highway Department in which



he is committed to twenty-some hundred thousand yards of fill material and he plans to dredge only a part of it from the Amite River and place it on land in an area which is already an enclosed area and has been stockpiling his fill from a cut that was made by the Corps of Engineers in their flood control project.

I submitted this particular permit to Mr. Lafleur for his consideration with respect to possibility of pollution and he states that so long as the permit has proper clauses with respect to tail waters not being placed in the river or any silting downstream that he has no objection. I have discussed this matter and it appears that no water will be allowed to go back into the Amite River and therefore I would recommend that this permit be granted with the proper clauses for protecting the turbidity in the river.

MR. WINFREE: So move, Mr. Chairman.

MR. KYLE: Second.

THE CHAIRMAN: It has been moved by Mr. Winfree, seconded by Mr. Kyle. Is there any discussion? Any opposition?



(No response)

There being none, so ordered.

(Text of the resolution
is here made a part of
the record.)

BE IT RESOLVED that the
Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries
Commission does hereby grant per-
mission to M. L. GREEN to dredge
sand and fill from the Amite River,
south of Port Vincent in Ascension
Parish.

DR. ST. AMANT: The final request for
permit is by the Fazzio Construction Company to
dredge for fill material from the Mississippi
River at a point at 88.3 miles AHP. This is a
standard permit request. It meets all the require-
ments set forth by the Commission. It will not
affect the Wild Life and Fisheries interests and
I would recommend that we grant this permit.

MR. WINFREE: So move, Mr. Chairman.

MR. KYLE: Second.

THE CHAIRMAN: It has been moved by Mr.



Winfree, seconded by Mr. Kyle. Is there any opposition?

(No response)

There being none, so ordered.

(Text of the resolution
is here made a part of
the record.)

BE IT RESOLVED that the
Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries
Commission does hereby grant per-
mission to FAZZIO CONSTRUCTION
COMPANY to dredge fill material
from the Mississippi River in the
vicinity of Mile 88.3 AHP, St. Bernard,
St. Bernard Parish.

DR. ST. AMANT: The next order of busi-
ness has to do with the acceptance and direction
for payment for the construction of the Bay Gardene
Facility. As you will recall, the Bay Gardene
Facility was one of our oyster reservation camps,
located in Bay Gardene in the vicinity of Pointe
a la Hache. This property was damaged by the storm
and then later burned down and we have had a new



facility under construction. It is now completed and the architect, Mr. William R. Baker and Associates, has furnished us with a letter dated October 25, 1971, which says, "Gentlemen: I hereby recommend acceptance of the work on the above project as being complete and further recommend payment to Roy J. Gross, contractor, all according to the terms of the contract and legal requirements. Signed, William R. Baker."

Along with this we have prepared a proper resolution for the Commission which would allow us to accept this facility and to direct our accounting division to pay for the work that has been done. As you will recall, a portion of this payment is in insurance in the amount of \$60,000.00. The remainder is to be paid by the Wild Life and Fisheries.

MR. WINFREE: Dr. St. Amant, have you or your people inspected the facility?

DR. ST. AMANT: Yes, Mr. Max Summers went out there and spent one complete day going over this with the architect, and I am certain they went over it in great detail.

MR. WINFREE: I so move, Mr. Chairman.



MR. NORRIS: Second.

THE CHAIRMAN: It has been moved by Mr. Winfree, seconded by Mr. Norris. Is there any discussion? Any opposition?

(No response)

There being none, so ordered.

(Text of the resolution is here made a part of the record.)

WHEREAS, the architect, Mr. William R. Baker, has notified the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission that the contractor, Roy J. Gross of Chalmette, Louisiana, has completed the construction of the replacement of the Bay Gardene Facility in accordance with the terms of the contract and legal requirements,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission does hereby grant approval on the acceptance of completion of the Bay Gardene Facility by Roy J.



Gross, of Chalmette, Louisiana, contractor.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Director be and is hereby authorized to sign any and all documents in connection therewith and that he be further instructed to file a copy of said resolution with the Recorder of Mortgages in Plaquemines Parish in order that final payment can be made to the contractor, after a period of forty-five (45) days, if the contract is clear of any liens or privileges.

DR. ST. AMANT: The final item is a contract, a suggestion that we accept a contract that has been submitted to us, a contract proposal that has been submitted to us by the Sea Grant Legal Program of Louisiana State University. Its objectives and purpose are as follows: "The Sea Grant Legal Program as a part of its ongoing study of the laws and administrative procedures affecting the coastal region of Louisiana wishes to study a variety of aspects of coastal resource use and management which are handled by the Louisiana Wild



Life and Fisheries Commission. The Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission plays a tremendous role in regulating the many uses of the coastal zone and its policies have a tremendous impact on coastal and marine resources of Louisiana. The Sea Grant Legal Program wishes to start a series of specific inquiries into the work of the Commission in order to learn more about the legal and administrative aspects of its operation.

"In order to understand the Commission's work fully, we must go beyond the constitutional and statutory laws setting up the Commission and guiding its work. We want to focus on the administrative legal material generated by the Commission. In addition to giving us a more detailed view of exactly what the Commission does in its daily business, it would also permit us to understand how these actions of the Commission are reflected in the administrative materials available for reference purposes. Lawyers, businessmen, coastal users and the staff of the Commission frequently have need to refer to the documents of the Commission beneath the level of statute."



There are three things they want to look at: the minutes of the meetings and the resolutions of the Commission from its inception; the executive orders promulgated by the Commission; and any authorization and procedures which we use in granting permits for canal dredging and the placement of spoil in the coastal area.

I might add to this that the recent legislature passed an act, setting up a Coastal Study Commission, which is supposed to report back to the legislature in September, 1973. There are nine members on this Commission, on which the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission is represented. The Sea Grant people are represented. The conservation interests are represented. The seafood people are represented and the various industries on the coast are represented. I think this is a most important study because it is quite evident that the national picture with respect to legislation on coastal management is rapidly taking shape and many of the bills in Congress are so designed that, if the states do not adequately plan and manage their coastal and estuarine areas, then



the federal government will be able to move in and manage it for us. These bills are designed a great deal along the same lines that the water quality bills were set up.

What we propose to do with the information and other information that can be generated and placed before this committee is to present to the legislature model bills which they may study and use in order to protect the interests of the State of Louisiana.

I would recommend that we accept this contract. It is very small. It is in the amount of \$528.00 and would have a research assistant from the law school work down here a total of 12 days during a two-month period between November and January, and it would pay him at the rate of \$2.25 an hour while he is working, plus his travel and maintenance.

MR. WINFREE: Doctor, he will be under your supervision, won't he?

DR. ST. AMANT: All of this will be under my general supervision and I will see that any documents drawn up or any publications made will



give the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission proper credit and we will get the necessary documents for our files.

MR. WINFREE: I so move, Mr. Chairman.

MR. KYLE: Second.

THE CHAIRMAN: It has been moved by Mr. Winfree, seconded by Mr. Kyle. Is there any more discussion? Any opposition?

(No response)

There being none, so ordered.

Mr. Herring.

MR. HERRING: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. The first item that we have on the agenda is a renewal of the lease on our West Bay Wildlife Management Area in Allen Parish. This lease is with Boise Southern, DeRidder, Louisiana, and consists of some 31,000 acres. The lease is the regular type that we usually receive on our wildlife management areas just for wildlife purposes and is for a five-year period this time. I would like to say that Boise Southern and the property they own in our West Bay area makes up approximately half of the area, so it is a real important lease here



that we have, and West Bay has been an excellent hunting area. I would like to recommend to the Commission at this time that we do renew our lease on the West Bay Wildlife Management Area.

THE CHAIRMAN: You have heard the proposal. What is your pleasure?

MR. NORRIS: I so move, Mr. Chairman.

MR. AUTIN: Second.

THE CHAIRMAN: It has been moved by Mr. Norris, seconded by Mr. Autin. Is there any opposition?

(No response)

There being none, so ordered.

(Text of the resolution
is here made a part of
the record.)

WHEREAS personnel of the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission have met with personnel of Boise Southern Company pertaining to lease renewal on their property in West Bay Wildlife Management Area, Allen Parish, and



WHEREAS, Boise Southern agrees to renew the lease on their 31,000 acres in Allen Parish for a period of five years with option to renew the lease, and

WHEREAS this agreement conforms with the Commission leases for other wildlife management areas, now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission renew the lease agreement with Boise Southern Company for the 31,000 acres of land in Allen Parish which makes up approximately one-half of the Commission's West Bay Wildlife Management Area.

(Land description, as follows:

"All lands owned by LaBokay Corporation, a Delaware Corporation, located in Township 2 South, Ranges 4 and 5 West, Township 3 South, Ranges 3, 4 and 5 West, and Township 4 South, Ranges 4 and 5 West, located within the red lines as shown on plat attached to



lease, containing approximately 31,000 acres; said attached plat made a part of the lease.")

MR. HERRING: Mr. Chairman, the next item is the renewal of the lease agreement on our Latcher Moore Wildlife Management Area, which is in Vernon Parish. This property is also owned by Boise Southern at DeRidder, Louisiana, and it consists of some 54,296 acres. It is also a very popular wildlife management area and has provided very good quail hunting in this area. I would like to recommend to the Commission at this time that we do accept this lease renewal for a period of five years, the same as we have the other lease. I would also like to recommend that the descriptions of both of these properties, which I will not read out because it would be too lengthy, be entered into the minutes of the meeting.

THE CHAIRMAN: You have heard the proposal. What is your pleasure?

MR. NORRIS: I so move, Mr. Chairman.

MR. AUTIN: Second.

THE CHAIRMAN: Moved by Mr. Norris,



seconded by Mr. Autin. Is there any discussion?
Any opposition?

(No response)

There being none, so ordered.

(Text of the resolution
is here made a part of
the record.)

WHEREAS personnel of the
Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries
Commission have met with personnel
of Boise Southern Company pertaining
to lease renewal on their property in
the Lutch Moore Wildlife Management
Area, Vernon Parish, and

WHEREAS, Boise Southern agrees
to renew the lease on their 54,296.436
acres in Vernon Parish for a period of
five years with option to renew the
lease, and

WHEREAS, this agreement
conforms with the Commission lease
for other wildlife management areas, now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that



the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission renew the lease agreement with Boise Southern Company for the 54,296.436 acres of land in Vernon Parish which makes up most of the Commission's Lutcher-Moore Wildlife Management Area.

(Land description, as follows:

VERNON PARISH, LOUISIANA

| <u>Section</u> | | <u>Acres</u> |
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| <u>Township 2 North, Range 10 West</u> | | |
| 31 | SW/4 and that portion of W/2 of Section South of Louisiana Highway No. 21 | 287.24 |
| 31 | NE/4 of SW/4; W/2 of SE/4; E/2 of SW/4; N/2 of N/2 of SW/4 of SW/4; NW/4 of SW/4 | <u>256.16</u> |
| | | 543.40 |
| <u>Township 2 North, Range 11 West</u> | | |
| 36 | S/2 of Section | <u>322.48</u> |
| | | 322.48 |
| <u>Township 1 North, Range 10 West</u> | | |
| 5 | W/2 of NW/4; SW/4 of SW/4; S/2 of SW/4; NW/4 of SW/4; SW/4 of NW/4; NE/4 of NW/4 | <u>323.12</u> |



| <u>Section</u> | <u>(T1N, R10W, Cont'd)</u> | <u>Acres</u> |
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| 6 | Entire Section | 641.11 |
| 7 | E/2 of Section; E/2 of SW/4; NW/4 of Section | 586.91 |
| 8 | Entire Section | 648.22 |
| 9 | NW/4 of SW/4; W/2 of NW/4 | 123.57 |
| 17 | Entire Section | 608.21 |
| 18 | Entire Section | 651.76 |
| 19 | Entire Section | 671.28 |
| 20 | Entire Section | 629.32 |
| 21 | W/2 of E/2; W/2 of Section; SW/4 of SE/4 of NE/4; W/2 of NE/4 of SE/4; SE/4 of SE/4 less 7 acres in the NE corner and less 11.30 acres deeded to Louisiana Highway Department | 549.63 |
| 22 | 4.42 acres being in the SW corner of the SW/4 of SW/4 | 4.42 |
| 27 | W/2 of SW/4; SW/4 of NW/4; 1.10 acres being in the NW corner of the NW/4 of NW/4 | 120.11 |
| 28 | Entire Section less 10.32 acres deeded to Louisiana Highway Department | 569.03 |
| 29 | Entire Section | 637.37 |



| <u>Section</u> | <u>(T1N, R10W, Cont'd)</u> | <u>Acres</u> |
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| 30 | Entire Section | 666.70 |
| 31 | Entire Section | 663.19 |
| 32 | Entire Section less 9.00 acres deeded to Louisiana Highway Department | 627.38 |
| 33 | Entire Section less 3.36 acres deeded to Louisiana Highway Department | 650.43 |
| 34 | SW/4 of SW/4; NE/4 of SW/4; W/2 of W/2 | 240.08 |
| | | 9,701.84 |
| <u>Township 1 North, Range 11 West</u> | | |
| 1 | N/2 of NE/4; S/2 of SE/4; SE/4 of SW/4; N/2 of SW/4; NW/4 of Section | 443.34 |
| 9 | N/2 of NW/4 less 3.582 acres deeded to Louisiana Highway Department; SE/4 of Section less 3.355 acres deeded to Louisiana Highway Department | 234.313 |
| 10 | E/2 of E/2 of NE/4; NW/4 of NE/4 of NE/4; SW/4 of SE/4 of NE/4; SE/4 of SW/4 of NE/4; W/2 of SW/4 of NE/4; NW/4 of NE/4; NE/4 of SW/4; W/2 of SW/4; E/2 of SW/4; SW/4 of SW/4 less 1.677 acres deeded to La. Highway Department; NW/4 of NW/4; E/2 of NW/4 | 438.303 |



| <u>Section</u> | <u>(T1N, R11W, Cont'd)</u> | <u>Acres</u> |
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| 11 | E/2 of Section; W/2 of SW/4; NW/4 of Section | 560.04 |
| 12 | NE/4 of Section; N/2 of SE/4; SW/4 of Section; S/2 of SW/4 of SW/4; E/2 of NW/4 | 486.11 |
| 13 | Entire Section | 622.46 |
| 14 | Entire Section | 841.18 |
| 15 | NW/4 of Section; NE/4 of SE/4; E/2 of NW/4; SW/4 of NW/4; W/2 of NW/4 of NW/4 | 339.90 |
| 21 | SE/4 of NE/4; E/2 of SE/4 | 110.68 |
| 22 | E/2 of NE/4; SW/4 of NE/4; S/2 of Section; S/2 of NW/4 | 520.09 |
| 23 | Entire Section | 637.66 |
| 24 | Entire Section | 619.32 |
| 25 | Entire Section | 618.16 |
| 26 | Entire Section | 639.50 |
| 27 | S/2 of NE/4; S/2 of Section; NW/4 of Section | 560.73 |
| 28 | E/2 of NE/4; E/2 of NE/4 of SE/4; N/2 of NW/4 of NE/4 of SE/4; E/2 of SE/4 of SE/4 | 125.76 |



| <u>Section</u> | <u>(T1N, R11W, Cont'd)</u> | <u>Acres</u> |
|--|---|---------------|
| 33 | N/2 of NE/4 of NE/4 of NE/4 | 5.21 |
| 34 | Entire Section | 643.79 |
| 35 | Entire Section | 641.53 |
| 36 | E/2 of Section; E/2 of SW/4; NW/4 of Section | <u>563.28</u> |
| | | 9,511.356 |
| <u>Township 1 South, Range 10 West</u> | | |
| 2 | SW/4 of NW/4 | 40.00 |
| 3 | NE/4 of Section; W/2 of SE/4; W/2 of Section | 563.17 |
| 4 | Entire Section | 645.68 |
| 5 | Entire Section less 4.99 acres deeded to Louisiana Highway Department | 640.01 |
| 6 | Entire Section less 6.21 acres deeded to Louisiana Highway Department | 640.79 |
| 7 | N/2 of Section, and that portion of SE/4 lying East of Louisiana Highway 1470, less 12.43 acres deeded to Louisiana Highway Department | 377.78 |
| 8 | Entire Section | 646.15 |
| 9 | Entire Section | 645.87 |
| 10 | SW/4 of NE/4; SE/4 of Section; W/2 of Section | 523.57 |



| <u>Section</u> | <u>(T1S, R10W, Cont'd)</u> | <u>Acres</u> |
|----------------|--|--------------|
| 14 | SW/4 of SW/4 | 40.29 |
| 15 | NE/4 of Section; W/2 of Section | 483.27 |
| 16 | Entire Section | 646.00 |
| 17 | Entire Section | 645.92 |
| 18 | S/2 of Section, and that portion of N/2 of Section lying East of Louisiana Highway 1470, less 5.05 acres deeded to Louisiana Highway Department | 520.19 |
| 19 | Entire Section | 648.32 |
| 20 | Entire Section | 645.84 |
| 21 | E/2 of Section; SE/4 of SW/4; W/2 of SW/4; S/2 of NE/4 of SW/4; NW/4 of Section | 625.45 |
| 22 | N/2 of NE/4; W/2 of SE/4; SW/4 of Section; W/2 of NW/4; NE/4 of NW/4 | 442.89 |
| 23 | NW/4 of NW/4 | 40.31 |
| 27 | NW/4 of SW/4; NW/4 of Section | 201.41 |
| 28 | N/2 of Section; NE/4 of SW/4 | 363.25 |
| 29 | Entire Section | 646.16 |
| 30 | Entire Section | 648.00 |
| 31 | Entire Section | 649.60 |
| 32 | Entire Section | 650.24 |



| <u>Section</u> | <u>(T1S, R10W, Cont'd)</u> | <u>Acres</u> |
|----------------|---|---------------|
| 33 | NW/4 of Section | <u>162.32</u> |
| | | 12,790.48 |
| | <u>Township 1 South, Range 11 West</u> | |
| 1 | E/2 of Section; SW/4 of Section | 485.70 |
| 2 | NE/4 of NE/4; SE/4 of SE/4; W/2 of E/2; W/2 of Section | 567.15 |
| 3 | Entire Section | 649.14 |
| 9 | NE/4 of NE/4 | 40.43 |
| 10 | NE/4 of Section; N/2 of SE/4; NW/4 of Section | 405.66 |
| 11 | E/2 of Section; E/2 of SW/4; NW/4 of SW/4; NW/4 of Section | 607.38 |
| 12 | N/2 of Section; SW/4 of Section | 485.48 |
| 13 | S/2 of Section; NW/4 of Section | 485.18 |
| 14 | Entire Section | 648.74 |
| 15 | Entire Section | 648.74 |
| 20 | N/2 of SE/4; SW/4 of SE/4; NW/4 of Section | 283.25 |
| 21 | Entire Section less Louisiana State Highway 111 R/W | 636.54 |
| 22 | Entire Section | 648.98 |
| 23 | Entire Section | 649.30 |



| <u>Section</u> | <u>(T1S, R11W, Cont'd)</u> | <u>Acres</u> |
|----------------|---|---------------|
| 24 | Entire Section | 646.50 |
| 25 | Entire Section | 646.24 |
| 26 | Entire Section | 649.38 |
| 27 | Entire Section | 649.06 |
| 28 | N/2 of Section; E/2 of SE/4 less Louisiana State Highway 111 R/2 in W/2 of NW/4 | 399.09 |
| 29 | N/2 of NE/4 | 80.92 |
| 32 | S/2 of SW/4 | 81.56 |
| 33 | S/2 of Section less Louisiana State Highway 111 R/W in SW/4 | 321.22 |
| 34 | Entire Section | 653.02 |
| 35 | Entire Section | 653.26 |
| 36 | NE/4 of NE/4; S/2 of Section; W/2 of NW/4; NE/4 of NW/4 | <u>489.15</u> |
| | | 12,511.07 |
| | <u>Township 2 South, Range 10 West</u> | |
| 5 | SW/4 of NE/4; W/2 of Section | 361.92 |
| 6 | E/2 of Section; N/2 of SW/4; NW/4 of Section | 559.05 |
| 7 | W/2 of NE/4 | 79.78 |
| 8 | N/2 of NW/4 | <u>80.23</u> |
| | | 1,680.98 |



| <u>Section</u> | <u>Acres</u> |
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| <u>Township 2 South, Range 11 West</u> | |
| 1 | N/2 of N/2; S/2 of SW/4; NW 4 of SW/4 |
| | 280.70 |
| | 100' strip S/2 of NW/4 |
| | 4.00 |
| | 284.70 |
| 2 | E/2 of Section; E/2 of SW/4; NW/4 of SW/4; NW/4 |
| | 606.06 |
| 3 | E/2 of Section; E/2 of W/2; NW/4 of NW/4 |
| | 619.44 |
| 4 | NE/4 of NE/4; W/2 of E/2; W/2 of Section less Louisiana State Highway 111 R/W |
| | 510.22 |
| 5 | E/2 of Section; E/2 of SW/4; SW/4 of NW/4 |
| | 438.60 |
| 8 | S/2 of SE/4 |
| | 79.34 |
| 9 | E/2 of Section; W/2 of SW/4 less Louisiana State Highway 111 R/W |
| | 394.30 |
| 10 | E/2 of Section less 1.28 acres in SW corner; W/2 of SW/4; NE/4 of SW/4; NW/4 of Section |
| | 593.84 |
| 11 | NE/4 of Section; E/2 of SE/4; NW/4 of SE/4; W/2 of Section |
| | 595.68 |
| 12 | SW/4 of NE/4; SW/4 of SE/4; SW/4 of Section; W/2 of NW/4; SE/4 of NW/4 |
| | 354.10 |



| <u>Section</u> | <u>(T2S, R11W, Cont'd)</u> | <u>Acres</u> |
|----------------|--|--------------|
| 13 | SE/4 of NE/4; W/2 of NE/4; E/2 of SW/4; NW/4 of Section | 361.45 |
| 14 | E/2 of NE/4; SW/4 of NE/4; E/2 of SW/4; W/2 of W/2 | 365.68 |
| | 100' strip SW/4 of SE/4 | 2.10 |
| | | 367.78 |
| 15 | E/2 of SE/4; NE/4 of SW/4; W/2 of SW/4 | 199.55 |
| 16 | NE/4 of NE/4; W/2 of NE/4; SE/4 of Section; W/2 of Section less Louisiana State Highway 111 R/W | 590.45 |
| 17 | W/2 of SW/4; NW/4 of Section | 243.36 |
| 18 | S/2 of NE/4; SE/4 of Section; NE/4 of SW/4; E/2 of NW/4 less 1 acre in NE corner of NE/4 of NW/4 | 356.60 |
| 20 | NE/4 of Section; E/2 of NW/4 less Louisiana State Highway 111 R/W in E/2 of NE/4 and 2.6 acres Parish Road R.O.W. | 239.53 |
| 21 | W/2 of of Section; W/2 of SE/4; W/2 of SW/4; less Louisiana State Highway 111 R/W in N/2 of NW/4 | 489.48 |



| <u>Section</u> | <u>(T2S, R11W, Cont'd)</u> | <u>Acres</u> |
|----------------|--|--------------|
| 22 | NE/4 of NE/4; SW/4 of NE/4; NW/4 of SW/4; W/2 of NW/4 | 283.83 |
| 23 | SE/4 of NE/4; W/2 of NE/4; NW/4 of SE/4; NE/4 of SE/4; W/2 of SW/4; SW/4 of NW/4; NW/4 of NW/4 | 368.75 |
| 24 | SW/4 of NW/4 | <u>39.77</u> |
| | | 7,834.83 |

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MR. HERRING: Mr. Chairman, the next item is also an addition to a wildlife management area, the Georgia Pacific Wildlife Management Area in Morehouse Parish. It is school board property and it is one full section and part of another section which consists of 871.36 acres, all totaled. I would like to recommend to the Commission at this time that we do accept the school board land as an addition to our Georgia Pacific Wildlife Management Area and this lease will be for a three-year period. The reason for the three-year period is that the land that we already have leased on the area, all the leases expire in three years, so they would just like to have theirs renewed at the same time



and so we will try to bring all of these leases up for renewal at one time, Mr. Chairman. Also, that the description of this property be entered into the minutes.

MR. NORRIS: I have a question to ask.

THE CHAIRMAN: All right, sir, Mr. Norris.

MR. NORRIS: Is there any turkey trapping going on in this area?

MR. HERRING: Yes, sir. The section that we have, the 639.6 acres, is an area that we are trapping turkeys on. Now that is not connected with the Georgia Pacific area. It is about two sections over to the West, and it is more or less an island of woods and it is providing us with turkeys on there. We should catch about 30, probably to 35, turkeys off of that area this year. Now the other part of the school board property, the 231.76 acres, is on the extreme southern end and it is the only connection that we have with this property into the Ouachita River, which does provide another access route for the hunters to come in. This part will have very little turkey trapping because it is really off the turkey area,



but the 639 acres, we will trap turkeys on there, the same as we are doing in our Georgia Pacific Wildlife Management area. As you know, Georgia Pacific has provided many of the good turkeys that we have put in various parts of the state and so we hope to continue trapping there, Mr. Norris.

THE CHAIRMAN: Gentlemen, you have all heard the proposal that Mr. Norris moved and Mr. Autin seconded. Is there any more discussion? Any opposition?

(No response)

There being none, so ordered.

(Text of the resolution is here made a part of the record.)

WHEREAS personnel of the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission have met with personnel of the Morehouse Parish Police Jury pertaining to lease additional land for Georgia-Pacific Wildlife Management Area, and

WHEREAS this land is described



in two parcels, one joining the Georgia Pacific Wildlife Management Area and the other parcel two sections west of the Management Area but not connected, and

WHEREAS the parcel connected to the Georgia Pacific Wildlife Management Area is described as T 21 N, R 4 E, Section 16: All sections lying east of Ouachita River comprising 231.76 acres more or less, and

WHEREAS the second parcel which is not connected to the Georgia Pacific Wildlife Management Area will be a refuge for turkey trapping, is described as all of Section 16, T 22 N, R 4E, comprising 639.6 acres more or less, now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission lease this 871.36 acres of School Board land in Morehouse Parish for wildlife management and turkey trapping purposes.



MR. HERRING: Mr. Chairman, the next request is from the Bendix-United Geophysical Corporation out of Baton Rouge, Louisiana. They are requesting a geophysical survey permit to cross a portion of our Saline Wildlife Management Area. These people are requesting to shoot 60 holes across a 7-1/8 mile long strip on the southern part of our wildlife management area.

At this time I would like to recommend to the Commission that we grant the permit, provided \$100.00 per hole shot and that a few other stipulations be added, that they will not do any of this operation during the hunting season unless it is approved by the area supervisor, and that guns will not be permitted on the area at any time by Bendix-United employees, their crews or designated crews, and the contract will be null and void if employees or those in charge should be caught on the area carrying guns at any time, and that Bendix-United will pay for all timber or surface damages caused by operation of their crews or designated crews, and that all road damage will be paid for or repaired by the Bendix-United Geophysical Corporation



immediately, and that no seismic operations will be conducted within one-half mile of our existing water wells on the area unless it is approved by our area supervisor there.

MR. WINFREE: Mr. Herring, do you have a limitation as to the size of the charge?

MR. HERRING: That was a No. 34 charge that they requested.

MR. WINFREE: At what depth?

MR. HERRING: The depth would be --

MR. WINFREE: Below 100 feet?

MR. HERRING: -- below 120 feet, four-inch hole at 120 feet, and they will cover them.

MR. WINFREE: Inasmuch as we don't own any minerals whatsoever under this area, would we be the donor; would we get the \$6,000.00, or does this go into the general fund?

MR. HERRING: We would get it from the land we purchased out of the Russell Sage Foundation.

MR. WINFREE: I mean, the Commission would get the money?

MR. HERRING: The Commission would get



the money.

THE CHAIRMAN: That's right. Is there any more discussion? What is your pleasure?

MR. KYLE: So move.

MR. AUTIN: Second.

THE CHAIRMAN: Moved by Mr. Kyle, seconded by Mr. Autin. Any more discussion? Any opposition?

(No response)

Hearing none, so ordered.

(Text of the resolution
is here made a part of
the record.)

WHEREAS United Geophysical Corporation, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, has requested to conduct a geophysical survey on the following described real property: Sections 32, 29, 28, 21, 22, 15, 14, 11, 12 and 1, T 5 N, R 4 E, LaSalle Parish, Louisiana, Saline Wildlife Management Area, and

WHEREAS, United Geophysical Corporation agrees to observe and comply with all government regulations whether



health, police, or otherwise, in the use of said property, and will not use said premises for any purposes in violation of federal, state, county or municipal laws, regulations or ordinances, and

WHEREAS, United Geophysical Corporation hereby agrees to indemnify and to hold and save owner harmless from each and every claim, suit, or judgment or damage to or loss of property or for injury to or death of any person or persons, caused by or arising out of, or in connection with the operations of United Geophysical Corporation under this agreement, and

WHEREAS, United Geophysical Corporation carries and maintains in force automobile, general bodily injury and property damage insurance to cover its operations, and

WHEREAS, United Geophysical Corporation agrees to conduct this survey in a competent and workmanlike



manner so as to cause as little disturbance to the ground surface as possible. If the disturbance of crops is involved, a fair compensation for actual loss shall be determined before the survey commences and will be paid promptly by United Geophysical Corporation to the owner immediately after the survey is completed. Backfilling of any holes drilled will be promptly completed after use and the surface restored as near as possible to its original condition, and

WHEREAS, permission for seismic operations is granted insofar as the rights of the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission is concerned, and

WHEREAS, seismograph operation will not be conducted during the hunting season, unless approved by wildlife management area supervisor, and

WHEREAS, guns will not be permitted on the area at any time by Bendix-United Geophysical Corporation



Corporation employees, their crews or other designated crews. Contract will be null and void if employee is caught with guns and will pay full cost of operation, and

WHEREAS, Bendix-United Geophysical Corporation will pay for all timber or surface damages caused by operations of their crews or other designated crews, and all road damage will be repaired or paid for immediately, and

WHEREAS, seismograph crews will notify the Saline Wildlife Management Area Supervisor two days prior to any seismograph operations. Should information be needed pertaining to this operation Bendix-United Geophysical Corporation should contact Mr. Dan Dennett, Supervisor, District IV, Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission, Ferriday, Louisiana, and

WHEREAS, seismograph operations



will consist of drilling approximately 60 holes at a distance of 600 feet apart. The holes will be four inches by 120 feet and will be loaded with an approximate 34# charge of dynamite. When recording these charges will be shot separately, now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the permit be issued to Bendix-United Geophysical provided they meet the above stipulations and that Bendix-United Geophysical Corporation pay to the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) per hole shot.

MR. HERRING: Mr. Chairman, the next item, a Mr. James C. Curtis has requested through our Ferriday office which our Saline Wildlife Management Area is operated out of for a right-of-way crossing a piece of our property onto his land. He has recently purchased this land, which used to be Phil's Landing at the upper end, and he has no ingress and egress or method of getting into his



property there, and we would like to recommend that he be permitted to cross our property with a road which would be about 300 yards long and 40 feet wide. This road would be located in the northeast corner of Section 24, Township 5 North, Range 4 East. Our district personnel have checked this out and they recommended it, so I would like to so recommend at this time, Mr. Chairman.

THE CHAIRMAN: What is your pleasure, gentlemen?

MR. NORRIS: I would like to ask, how did he get into Phil's Landing before?

MR. HERRING: There is a road going down to the lower end where Phil's Landing was. He has purchased the property up at the -- it's a long piece of property and he has purchased a piece of property at the upper end.

MR. NORRIS: In other words, the same people owned it that he purchased it from, both ends?

MR. HERRING: Yes.

MR. NORRIS: Well, why can't they give him a road?



MR. HERRING: Well, it is sold to two or three different individuals now. Phil's Landing has apparently sold out.

MR. NORRIS: That is going to cut up our game management area, isn't it?

MR. HERRING: No, sir, not real bad. It is just a small strip. The main Hunt Oil Company

THE CHAIRMAN: It won't bother.

MR. HERRING: The main Hunt Oil Company road comes right by there, so it will be coming off it. It is just a small strip in between their property and ours.

MR. KYLE: So move.

MR. AUTIN: Second.

THE CHAIRMAN: It has been moved by Mr. Kyle, seconded by Mr. Autin. Is there any opposition?

(No response)

Being none, so ordered.

(Text of the resolution is here made a part of the record.)

WHEREAS, Mr. James C. Curtis



has requested a right-of-way to his property within the Saline Wildlife Management Area, and

WHEREAS, Mr. James C. Curtis has no other access to get to the property recently purchased, and

WHEREAS, on the property between Mr. Curtis and the Hunt Oil Company road is owned by the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission permit Mr. James C. Curtis to construct a road to his personal property which is described in the northeast corner of Section 24, T 5 N, R 4 E, and to be approximately 300 yards long and 40 feet wide. All work that Mr. Curtis will do will have to be approved by the Saline Wildlife Management Area Supervisor.

MR. HERRING: Mr. Chairman, the next request is from the LaSalle Parish Police Jury and about five years ago, or four, when we were fencing



our Saline Wildlife Management Area, we used some posts which were put up by the State Highway Department in fencing the south part of Highway 28. Now we did write to the State Highway Department and had approval with them to use these posts to reinforce our own fence, so we did use them, and now the LaSalle Parish Police Jury is asking if we can give them about 2,500 posts and 78 rolls of barbed wire and about 200 pounds of staples for this.

Since it was State Highway property, I would like to recommend at this time, Mr. Chairman, that we do not have the funds in our budget to take care of this request, so I would have to recommend at this time, due to the lack of funds, that we would have to deny this request.

MR. WINFREE: I was wondering on that recommendation, Mr. Chairman. I don't think that we have any right to give the LaSalle Parish Police Jury anything. The posts and materials that we obtained from them five years ago, as I appreciate it, came from the Highway Department, and it appears to me that they are asking for everything except for our people to go out there and build a fence,



so I would just suggest that the request be denied, period.

MR. HERRING: I so recommend.

THE CHAIRMAN: So if we deny it, we don't need to take any action on it then, do we?

MR. WINFREE: That's right.

THE CHAIRMAN: No. 17 then, Joe.

MR. HERRING: Mr. Chairman, the next item on the agenda pertains to construction of the first mile of road on our Three Rivers Wildlife Management Area. Now this road will get hunters into the area from the blacktop right to the, you might say, boundary of our Three Rivers Wildlife Management Area. It is off of Highway 15. The State Highway Department, we did ask them to draw up plans and specifications on it and go out on bids, which they did, and the lowest bid for this work was \$19,642.00 which was from Mr. Richard Coco of United Contractors. We have contacted the Highway Department and also Mr. Coco and they feel like that they can get this portion of the road in prior to the opening of our deer season.

I would like to recommend now that we go



ahead with this contract through the Highway Department and Mr. Coco be awarded the contract through them and we reimburse the State Highway Department \$19,642.00 for the work.

MR. WINFREE: Mr. Chairman, is there any possible way for the people to be notified about this road to the area and also tell them where it is. I feel like some people from the East Baton Rouge area will be going up there deer hunting and if they don't know where it is, they wouldn't be able to get there, anyway.

THE CHAIRMAN: I think we have a good newspaper man here from Baton Rouge.

MR. WINFREE: Well, I don't think he knows where the road is, either.

THE CHAIRMAN: He knows where it is.

(Inaudible discussion with

Mr. Michael Cook)

Gentlemen, what is your pleasure on this contract?

MR. KYLE: So move.

MR. AUTIN: Second.

THE CHAIRMAN: Moved by Mr. Kyle, seconded



by Mr. Autin. Is there any opposition?

(No response)

There being none, so ordered.

MR. HERRING: Mr. Chairman, the next item on the agenda is a request from South Central Bell to cross a portion of our property on our Spring Bayou Wildlife Management Area to service camps and homes in that area. South Central Bell will have to cross approximately 1,700 feet of our property. As you know, we would like to have telephone services to our own headquarters on Spring Bayou so I talked to the manager this morning about this with South Central Bell. They were charging us to run the extra mile to our property. They were asking for a right-of-way to cross our property but since we are another mile to our headquarters, we would have to pay for that. In talking to the manager today, this morning, I told him that we would have to get a right-of-way fee for them crossing our property, so what he agreed to this morning was that if we would give them a right-of-way across our property, then there would be no charge for them to put our telephones in for the extra mile,



which means it would have cost us \$3,000.00 to run our telephone through, so actually there is about \$2,000.00 difference there. They agreed, rather than resurvey the property and go through that, which would cost them, that they would go ahead and put in. Now the only thing that we will have to do now is see that the ditch is dug for the cable to go through, but the cable and everything will be put in with no extra charge for our additional services to our employees in the office there.

I recommend now that we go ahead and grant them this permit to cross the 1,700 feet of our property.

THE CHAIRMAN: They can't start on our end and come back so we will be sure we get ours?

MR. HERRING: I don't know. We have got to make some kind of agreement to get a ditch digger in there and do that little bit of work ourselves.

MR. AUTIN: One question. What is the base rate for that phone going to be? I've seen some of them go for \$60.00 a month.

MR. HERRING: They told us the base rate would be \$11.00 for a party line and \$13.00 for a



private line.

THE CHAIRMAN: That's fair enough.

MR. WINFREE: Well, if that's the only line, it ought to be private, shouldn't it?

MR. CHAIRMAN: They can hook it onto another one. They are going for two and a half miles out there.

MR. HERRING: We have an office there plus there are two residents living out there, so it will be according to whether they want private lines or whether two of them would like to get on one line together.

THE CHAIRMAN: Gentlemen, what is your pleasure?

MR. NORRIS: I so move.

MR. AUTIN: Second.

THE CHAIRMAN: Moved by Mr. Norris, seconded by Mr. Autin. Is there any opposition?

(No response)

There being none, so ordered.

(Text of the resolution
is here made a part of
the record.)



WHEREAS South Central Bell has requested a right-of-way across a portion of the Commission Spring Bayou Wildlife Management Area, and

WHEREAS, this line will be buried to a depth of two feet and right-of-way to be 10 feet wide, and

WHEREAS this right-of-way is described as a certain tract of land 1,506 feet on north side of Michele Lane owned by Richard Michel and 185 feet on west side of Michele Lane owned by Richard Michel, and

WHEREAS the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission needs telephone service at our Spring Bayou headquarters and residence,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that this right-of-way be granted provided that South Central Bell provide telephone services to the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission headquarters and residence at no



additional charge. The Commission will dig and bury the line.

MR. HERRING: Mr. Chairman, the next item, the Edward Wisner Donation Advisory Committee, through Mr. Richard Peneguy, their Secretary, has requested the release of some 3,690 acres of land on the west side of our Wisner Wild Life Management Area. This land is described in two parcels, one consisting of 2,160 acres and the other parcel, No. 2, consisting of 1,530 acres. Since they are the owners of the land and they have requested release of this, I would to go ahead and recommend that we do release it. It just so happens that this piece of property is more or less out to one side on the wildlife management area and we have not done any development in this particular area.

I would also like to recommend that there is a small portion of land that would be left outside of the area and would fall within the boundaries, you might say, of the land that they wish to develop, so I would like to just go ahead and release this at the same time, so that we can make our boundary line straight along the Range 22 East, Range 23



East, boundary line, which falls on the west side of Bay Champagne, so I would like to go ahead and recommend that we release this area to them.

MR. WINFREE: A matter of information, Mr. Chairman. Joe, I am familiar with that area down there, but what do you use that marsh for?

MR. HERRING: Fishing. We do have quite a few weirs on that we have constructed ourselves to provide fishing on the area, and there is some duck hunting on the area, but it has been mainly a fishing area.

MR. WINFREE: The access to it is off that Leesville-Grand Isle Road?

MR. HERRING: Yes, sir, that and by boat, yes, sir. We have good utilization down there and we have done quite a bit of work improving, you might say, the fishing on it.

THE CHAIRMAN: But as I understand it, we have no choice in this matter except to release it, do we?

MR. HERRING: No, sir. They could take it out, anyway, just by giving us written notice.

THE CHAIRMAN: Gentlemen, you have heard



the proposal. What is your pleasure?

MR. NORRIS: So move.

MR. KYLE: Second.

THE CHAIRMAN: Moved by Mr. Norris,
seconded by Mr. Kyle. Is there any discussion?
Any opposition?

(No response)

There being none, so ordered.

(Text of the resolution
is here made a part of
the record.)

WHEREAS, Mr. Richard A.
Peneguy, Secretary, Edward Wisner
Donation Advisory Committee, has
requested the release of some
3,690.68 acres of land in the Wisner
Wildlife Management Area, and

WHEREAS, this land lies on the
extreme western side of the Wisner
Wildlife Management Area, and

WHEREAS, the Edward Wisner
Donation Advisory Committee has by
lease agreement the right to request



release of any land, and

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission has not done any development on this portion of the Wisner Wildlife Management Area,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission release all land lying west of the R 22 E, R 23 E line west of Bay Champagne back to Edward Wisner Donation Advisory Committee.

MR. HERRING: Mr. Chairman, the next item on the agenda is the acceptance of the repair work that we had on our Deer Park Lake boat ramp. As you know, this was given to, turned over to the State Department of Public Works for them to draw up the plans and specifications for the repairs and for them to go out on bid. The bid was given to Walker & Wells Contractors, Inc., under Contract No. 6267. The contractor has completed the work. It has been checked by our personnel along with the Department of Public Works personnel, and we



find that the work has met all specifications of the contract, so I would recommend at this time that we do pay the Department of Public Works so they can reimburse the contractor for this work and accept the repairs on the boat ramp.

THE CHAIRMAN: Gentlemen, you have heard the recommendation. What is your pleasure?

MR. NORRIS: So move.

MR. AUTIN: Second.

THE CHAIRMAN: Moved by Mr. Norris, seconded by Mr. Autin. Is there any opposition?

(No response)

There being none, so ordered.

(Text of the resolution is here made a part of the record.)

WHEREAS, the Chief Engineer of the Department of Public Works, State of Louisiana, has certified to the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission that the contractor has completed Contract No. 6267, between the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries



Commission and Walker & Wells Contractors, Inc, for making repairs to the boat launching ramp and parking area on Deer Park Lake, Concordia Parish, Louisiana, and has recommended that same be accepted,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission that the work done by Walker & Wells Contractors, Inc., contractor under Contract No. 6267 with Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission, dated August 2, 1971, be and is hereby accepted.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that secretary be and is authorized and directed to file a certified copy of this resolution in the Mortgage Records of Concordia Parish.

MR. HERRING: Mr. Chairman, the next item is a resolution from the Point Coupee Parish Police Jury pertaining to the either sex deer season in that Parish. They are asking for a three-day season, November 20 and 21 and 22, and for a seven-day season



on the second segment, which would be December 27 through January 2. Now the area that they have described is the Stonewall Plantation located in the Fifth Ward and also an area bounded on Highway 10 and 1 from New Roads to Morganza and Highway 1 from New Roads to Parlange Lane, and Highway 78 to 190; from Livonia back to Morganza, and Highway 77 and 10 back to Morganza.

Mr. Chairman, since this request did come in late and we did not have time to really do the field checks on it that we would like to have, we do have some field checks that we did make last year and the year before in this area, so on that basis I would like to recommend that we go ahead and give a two-day any sex season in the areas here that they have so requested.

MR. WINFREE: The reason being, Mr. Herring, as I understand what you are saying, is that your people have not had an opportunity to check this area to see whether or not it could stand the length of season which they are requesting and so all you can do is base it on your last year and previous year's check, and also because this



was a late request.

MR. HERRING: Yes, sir, that's it, Mr. Winfree, and this would be on November 20 and 21, the first two days of the first season.

MR. NORRIS: So move.

MR. AUTIN: Second.

THE CHAIRMAN: Moved by Mr. Norris, seconded by Mr. Autin. Is there any opposition?

(No response)

Being none, so ordered.

(Text of the resolution is here made a part of the record.)

WHEREAS, the Pointe Coupee Parish Police Jury has requested any deer season in additional areas of the parish, and

WHEREAS, field checks were made in these areas last year and any sex deer seasons were recommended, and

WHEREAS, these areas are described as follows: (1) Stonewall Plantation located in Fifth Ward; and (2) area bounded by Highway 10 and 1



from New Roads to Morganza; Highway 1 from New Roads to Parlange Lane; Highway 78 to Highway 190; from Livonia back to Morganza, Highway 77 and 10 back to Morganza,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that a two-day any sex deer season be set November 20 and 21, 1971, in the above described areas.

MR. HERRING: The next item, Mr. Chairman, is from the St. Charles Parish Police Jury, asking that we close the doe season on the east bank of St. Charles Parish. Our field personnel have checked this area out since their request came in, which was in September, so we have had a chance to check it out, and our district personnel here had recommended the season to start with, and so in checking we found that the deer population is good enough in there to go ahead and have an any sex deer season the first day of the first segment and also the first day of the second segment.

I would like to recommend to the Commission at this time that we go ahead in this area with the



season as has been set.

THE CHAIRMAN: Gentlemen, you have heard the proposal. What is your suggestion?

MR. NORRIS: I so move.

MR. KYLE: Second.

THE CHAIRMAN: Moved by Mr. Norris, seconded by Mr. Kyle. Is there any opposition?

(No response)

There being none, so ordered.

(Text of the resolution
is here made a part of
the record.)

WHEREAS the St. Charles Parish Police Jury requested that the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission abolish the doe hunting season on the East Bank of St. Charles Parish, and

WHEREAS the biologists of the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission recommended the opening of this area, and

WHEREAS the biologists have checked this area and find that the



area has a good population of deer and that the area can support an any deer season, now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, after hearing the recommendations and technical information, the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission will leave the doe hunting season as set in St. Charles Parish.

MR. HERRING: Mr. Chairman, the next item is from the Macpet Drilling Company and they wish to drill a well on our Bonnet Care Spillway Wildlife Management Area which is not owned by us but is controlled by the Corps of Engineers. We have no objection to it, so I would just like to recommend that we would concur with whatever the landowners in that particular area had in mind.

MR. HOFFPAUER: I had best say one thing, Mr. Chairman. We have never, so to say, issued drilling permits. I would just like to put in one thing, as long as they follow the pollution laws of the State.

MR. HERRING: We could concur, right.



MR. HOFFPAUER: Dumping mud out there or drilling mud and then they say that Wild Life and Fisheries okayed the drilling of this well, so --

MR. WINFREE: I think that would go without saying, Mr. Director, by letting it follow the regular routine rules and regulations as set by this Commission relative to drilling on our refuges and what-not, because this would come under Mr. Lafleur and this new environmental control act. It would just be an acquiescence by this department with our rules and regulations.

MR. HERRING: Right.

THE CHAIRMAN: You all have heard the proposal with the stipulations in it.

MR. NORRIS: So move.

MR. KYLE: Second.

THE CHAIRMAN: Motion by Mr. Norris, seconded by Mr. Kyle. Is there any opposition?

(No response)

There being none, so ordered.

MR. KYLE: Mr. Chairman, I would like to bring up something.

THE CHAIRMAN: All right, Mr. Kyle.



MR. KYLE: Down below New Orleans, the State Department of Public Works is getting ready to close some locks. The only opening for the oyster fishermen is Baptiste Collette. First, I would like to offer a resolution from the Commission, requesting that the State Department of Public Works postpone closing the locks until February.

MR. HOFFPAUER: That's late February.

MR. KYLE: Late February, because this thing is going to mean an economic loss to our oyster fishermen of somewhere from four to \$6,000.00 a day and with the condition the oyster market is in now, our people can't stand it, and I would like to so have that embodied in the resolution.

MR. WINFREE: Let me ask you this. Is it the Department of Public Works or U. S. Corps of Engineers?

MR. KYLE: Department of Public Works.

MR. WINFREE: They are the ones that are going to do the work.

MR. KYLE: Yes, sir.

THE CHAIRMAN: We have a resolution by Mr. Kyle.



MR. AUTIN: Second.

THE CHAIRMAN: Seconded by Mr. Autin, that we go to Baton Rouge, the Department of Public Works, and ask them to postpone the closing of the locks until late February.

MR. KYLE: Will you get that resolution drawn up today? The second thing, I would like to request that the Director send the drag line from Pass a Loutre down to Baptiste Collette as soon as possible; if not today, tomorrow; and start cleaning out what possible high spots they have got in there in event that the Department of Public Works does not honor our request.

THE CHAIRMAN: Wait, Mr. Kyle. I agree with you that we ought to do it, but I don't know if we -- they are going to say we are going to clean the thing out anyhow, so they might not want to go along with the first resolution.

MR. KYLE: Well, we ought to get an answer today or tomorrow.

THE CHAIRMAN: All right, and then if --

MR. KYLE: If they turn it down, then so instruct the Director to move in immediately.



THE CHAIRMAN: I agree with that.

MR. WINFREE: Gentlemen, just a moment. You know we all agree with this in principle, but at the same time we are not in the drag line business of cleaning out the waterways of this state, and I just question the idea of Wild Life and Fisheries taking their drag line from a refuge to go down and clean out a bayou that the U. S. Engineers or someone else is supposed to do. I just feel like this is a bad move, even though I agree with it.

MR. KYLE: Mr. Winfree, the U. S. Engineers, it is not under their maintain-navigation program. They have it. They have had a study and have had a request in the budget. They are going to put it in this year and it will probably be a year and a half or two years before they can get it out.

MR. WINFREE: I understand that. That points up exactly what I am trying to suggest. I just question the idea of the Wild Life and Fisheries going in and cleaning out streams that don't belong to Wild Life and Fisheries.



MR. KYLE: I couldn't agree with you any more, but there is no way I can see to help the oyster fishermen except doing it.

MR. WINFREE: Mr. Kyle, I agree with you 100 percent in principle, but rather than direct the Commission or the Director to move that drag line, I think we had better wait and see what the Department of Public Works does about this thing, and then of course try and give every relief we can to the oyster fishermen, but I just question the propriety of us moving in and taking over something that has been set by the U.S. Engineers in their budget just because they can't get to it. I believe we are just spending our own money and spinning our own wheels.

MR. KYLE: What I would like to do, if the Department of Public Works doesn't move and we run to the end, that we authorize the Director to move and move immediately until the next meeting.

MR. WINFREE: I would think that you ought to get the Governor to authorize the Department of Public Works, instead of us authorizing our Director.

MR. HOFFPAUER: Yes, I suggest you see the



Governor on this.

MR. WINFREE: If the Public Works says no, then they do have someone that the Governor can say, "You go do it." It's just that simple, as far as I am concerned.

MR. KYLE: And if we run into a thing, then the oyster fishermen are still in the same -- all I want to do is authorization for the Director to move in the event that in his opinion he has exhausted all possible --

MR. WINFREE: Mr. Kyle, let me tell you, you know enough about moving dirt. One little drag line that we've got would be like me taking a spoon and trying to take the Atlantic Ocean and put it dry. You have to have a suction dredge to sweep that thing out down there. You can't go in there with a little drag line and move a little bit of dirt.

MR. KYLE: Mr. Winfree, I am not at all sure of that.

THE CHAIRMAN: Let's figure out this dirt moving later. Gentlemen, we have a resolution to ask the Department of Public Works -- was there



any opposition to that? Hearing none, that resolution carries.

(Text of the resolution
is here made a part of
the record.)

WHEREAS, the six recent shell plants in St. Bernard and Plaquemines Parish were opened on September 1st by the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission for the taking of seed oysters and other public beds were opened for the harvest of oysters on the east side of the Mississippi River, and

WHEREAS, there are many fishermen from the west side of the river that utilize these seed grounds for the taking of seeds to be planted in their beds west of the Mississippi River, and

WHEREAS, the fall shrimp season is still open and will remain open until December 21st, and

WHEREAS, during the 90-day closure of the Ostrica Locks the fishermen will



spend thousands of dollars and their boats will have to travel many miles out of the way, passing through locks and bridges which will cause mortalities of their catches, since Baptiste Collette is not navigable for loaded oyster boats,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission does hereby request the Louisiana Department of Public Works delay closing the Ostrica Locks for repairs until the 1st of February, 1972.

MR. WINFREE: While you have brought that up and it has come out in the open, you know that the canals that go along paralleling the river down towards Baptiste Collette there, and they contacted the oil industry relative to them sweeping out these canals, and they said it would cost \$400,000.00. Now that's a lot of money. That is just pointing up about this one drag line situation.

MR. KYLE: The estimate that Harry Schafer gave me I think was \$18,000.00.

MR. WINFREE: Then I misunderstood him.



I thought it was \$400,000.00.

MR. SCHAFER: I think Cameron told me it was a little more than a mile that had to be cleaned out, and it was \$400,000.00.

MR. KYLE: And there is a possibility they are talking about the oil company boats and I think they are talking about some size and there may be a chance that there may be some high spots in there, and we may be able to sweep it enough to get the oyster luggers through.

MR. WINFREE: Well, let me tell you one thing. I know that when they shut that lock down at Ostrica, that is going to cost the oil industry lots of money and they are not going to let it stand in their way, and I think if you will just play it cozy, as soon as they find out they can't get their boats through, you might get some relief.

THE CHAIRMAN: Do I hear a motion that we adjourn?

MR. AUTIN: Move adjournment.

MR. WINFREE: Second.

THE CHAIRMAN: Mr. Autin made the motion that we adjourn and Mr. Winfree seconded. The



meeting is adjourned.

. . . Thereupon, at 10:55
o'clock a.m., Tuesday,
October 26, 1971, the
meeting was adjourned. . . .

