

PROCEEDINGS OF MEETINGS
OF THE
LOUISIANA WILD LIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION

JANUARY 27 and 28, 1964

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The regular monthly meetings of the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission were held in New Orleans, Louisiana, on Monday and Tuesday, January 27 and 28, 1964.

Monday's meeting consisted of conferences with Division Chiefs, the preparation of the Agenda for the Public Meeting and a conference with Mr. John Barton and Mr. Rex Callicot, who informed Board Members that they owned a 125,000 (approx.) acre tract of land, located in LaSalle and Catahoula Parishes, and that they were offering all or any portion of this property to the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission for \$29.00 per acre. A complete history and other information was given to the Commission by Mr. Barton.

The public meeting was held on Tuesday, January 28, 1964, at 10:00 A.M., in Room 226, Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission Building, New Orleans, La.

Members present were:

A. J. Buquet, Chairman

L. R. Fleming, Vice-Chairman

John Paul Crain

Runtley B. Fairchild

James J. Frey

John Edwin Kyle Jr., (Present for Tuesday's
meeting. Absent on Monday)
Ray Whatley

Chairman Buquet called the meeting to order at 10:30 A.M. and he stated the first order of business was the introduction of Mr. John Edwin Kyle, Jr., new Commission Member, replacing Mr. John Cutrone, whose term expired in December. After acknowledging the introduction, Mr. Kyle was sworn into office by Mr. Ellis C. Irwin, Attorney, and stated he was happy to serve on the Board.

Chairman Buquet announced it was indeed a pleasure to welcome Mr. Kyle as a Commission Member.

On motion of Mr. Fleming, seconded by Mr. Frey, and unanimously adopted, the reading of the minutes of the regular meetings, held on December 9 and 10, 1963, was dispensed with and the minutes were approved as submitted to the Commission Members.

Chairman Buquet called upon Dr. St. Amant relative to report on the closing of certain oyster seed ground areas.

Dr. St. Amant stated that at the last Commission meeting, it was announced that the Commission would consider closing some of the seed ground areas at the January meeting; that there were some discussions on certain areas, but no agreements had been reached as to which areas would be closed, and he recommended that this matter be held over until the next

meeting since there were some problems that would have to be cleared before making final decision.

On motion of Mr. Fairchild, seconded by Mr. Frey, and unanimously adopted, the matter of closing certain oyster seed ground areas, was held in abeyance until the next meeting, upon the recommendations of Dr. St. Amant.

Mr. Yancey was called to the floor relative to the sale of surplus boats.

Mr. Yancey stated that it is proposed that the Commission authorize the advertisement for bids, through the Division of Administration, for the sale of the boats "Constellation" and "Sprig". These boats to be offered for sale without engines since these can be used in other Commission boats.

Mr. Yancey stated that this matter had been discussed with Dr. Lyle S. St. Amant, Chief, Oysters, Waterbottoms and Seafoods Division, and Mr. Claude LeBlanc, Wharf Superintendent, and it is estimated that it would cost about \$7,000.00 in hull repairs to restore the "Constellation" to operating condition, and about \$5,000.00 for the "Sprig". The "Sprig" has been operating at Pass-a-Loutre for about 10 years, and the "Constellation" has been in service at the Grand Terre Marine Lab for approximately 9 years.

Mr. Yancey stated the "Constellation" has already been replaced with the new boat "Marine Research" and it is pro-

posed that plans be made to replace the boat "Sprig" at Pass-a-Loutre with a vessel of similar size, and he recommended that the Commission dispose of these two boats to the highest bidder, provided that reasonable bids are obtained.

On motion of Mr. Whatley, seconded by Mr. Crain, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Director be authorized and empowered to instruct the Division of Administration to advertise for bids the boats "Constellation" and "Sprig", without engines, and that the Commission dispose of these two boats to the highest bidder provided reasonable bids are obtained.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Director be authorized to sign any and all documents in connection therewith.

Director Young was called upon relative to report on license sales.

Director Young stated he would briefly review the figures on hunting and fishing license sales during the past year. He stated that this report was made available to each member of the Board. The report showed that during 1962-63 season, the basic resident hunting licenses sold totaled 260,862, an increase of 13,635 over 1961-62; the big game licenses sold during 1962-63 totaled 69,470, an

increase of 9,459 over 1961-62; sport fishing licenses sold in the State showed an increase of 5,878. All across the board showed an increase during the past year, also in commercial fishing activities.

Director Young stated that requests were made of all postoffices in Louisiana to submit figures on the number of migratory waterfowl duck stamps sold during the season just closed. The postmasters cooperated nicely and we estimate that nearly 70,000 duck stamps were sold for the past hunting season, which is more than double the sales of 1962-63. He stated that this was certainly an indication that when you have a reasonable season and bag limits, you will have good hunting, which backed up everything Dick Yancey and he had told the Congressional delegation in Washington, -- In order to maintain public interest, we must have reasonable hunting opportunity that will be geared to the population of ducks that we have in Louisiana and in the Mississippi Flyway.

Director Young was called to the floor relative to the next item on the Agenda.

Director Young stated that for some several months, we have had a vacancy for Chief of the Refuge Division. Mr. Yancey, along with his other duties, had assumed that responsibility. During the past several months, we have had a stepped-up research program, mineral activities, etc.,

and Mr. Yancey's job as Assistant Director requires more of his time. Director Young said - "I would like to recommend at this time that Mr. Allan Ensminger, who meets all the qualifications for Chief of the Refuge Division, be appointed Chief of the Refuge Division, according to Civil Service rules and regulations."

On motion of Mr. Frey, seconded by Mr. Crain, Mr. Allan Ensminger was appointed Chief of the Refuge Division, effective February 1, 1964.

Chairman Buquet called for a vote, which was as follows:

Ayes - Messrs. Fleming, Crain, Fairchild/^{Frey} and Kyle.

Absent and not voting - Ray Whatley.

Dr. St. Amant was called to the floor relative to applications for permits.

Dr. St. Amant read the following letter from Jabucke Service Inc., P.O. Box 52438, New Orleans 30, La.:

"This request is being made to you on behalf of our sand and gravel mining operation located on the West Bank of the Amite River at Bluff Creek in East Feliciana Parish.

"Approximately twenty-three years ago, we began to mine sand and gravel in an enclosed pond approximately 400 feet from the Amite River and have been operating there ever since. At present we are utilizing two hydraulic dredges in this operation.

"Our past mining operations have been carried on successfully in this enclosed pond; however, it has now become necessary for us to request permission of your Commission to mine sand and gravel from the river bottom proper.

"In granting this permit to Jahocke Service, Inc., to mine sand and gravel in the Amite River proper, the Commission may be assured that the flume pipes from our relay plant and washing plant will be discharged into our enclosed pond so as to keep muddy water out of the river, which would have a tendency to contaminate the main stream. In essence, we would have the same type of operation as is carried on by the many sand and gravel companies down-stream from us that extend practically to the Baton Rouge city limits.

"Trusting that you will look with favor on our request, we remain,

Very truly yours,

JAHOCKE SERVICE INC.

(S) FRITZ JAHOCKE
Paul F. Jahocke, III,
Manager, Sand-Gravel-
Shell Department"

Dr. St. Amant stated that the application from Jahocke Service Inc. indicates that they desire a permit to dredge for sand and gravel in the Amite River, at Bluff Creek, East Feliciana Parish. They pointed out in the application that they have mined in this general area for some twenty years, but on private land, and they now request permission to move into the main stream of the river, and stipulated that they will deposit all waste water and silt that might pollute the river into their old holding pond.

Dr. St. Amant stated the request for this type of

operation is no different from several similar operations now in existence in this river system and there is no reason to object to the operation, excepting that it conceivably might cause pollution or silting for downstream water. He stated that this matter was discussed with Mr. Robert LaFleur, Chief of the Water Pollution Control Division, and they were of the opinion that the recently adopted anti-pollution clause incorporated in the permits where pollution is a problem will satisfactorily control this operation, and in view of this, he had no objection to the granting of the permit.

On motion of Mr. Fairchild, seconded by Mr. Frey, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the application of Jahacke Service Inc. for a permit to dredge sand and gravel on the west bank of the Amite River, at Bluff Creek, in East Feliciana Parish, be granted, provided no pollution problems arise due to this operation. If pollution has been determined to exist, written notification thereof by the Water Pollution Control authority of this State shall be given the permittee with a period of five (5) days for correction; and should same not be satisfactorily corrected within that time, the Director shall have the right to revoke the permit immediately thereafter.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Director be authorized to sign any documents in connection therewith.

Dr. St. Amant also read the following applications from River materials Inc., dated January 2 and 9, 1964:

"In accordance with the requirements for applicants for permits which you furnished to us, we wish to apply for a permit for dredging sand, gravel and fill materials for the following:

River Materials Inc.
301 American Bank Building - P.O. Box 2706
Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

"The following information is furnished:

- 1) Applicant is a Louisiana corporation owned by Layton Bordelon, President, Gordon Bargas, Vice-President, and Albert H. Bankston, Secretary-Treasurer. The corporation is adequately capitalized and has arranged for sufficient financing.
- 2) Location of proposed dredging site is Profit Island area designated as Mississippi River, Mile 245 to 255, west side of Profit Island.
- 3) The principal office of applicant is 301 American Bank Building, Baton Rouge, Louisiana.
- 4) The loading site will be on barges at Mississippi River Mile 245 to 255. The unloading sites would depend on the market designation.
- 5) One dredge will be used. It is diesel, electric powered, 16" suction, with 14" pump. Dimensions 32' x 115'. Vessel is in excellent condition.
- 6) Transportation will include 5 tugs, diesel twin screw and necessary barges, flat deck type, capacity ranging from 500 cubic yards to 1000 cubic yards.
- 7) Estimated amount of materials to be removed is from 15,000 to 20,000 cubic yards monthly.

Your attention to this application will be personally appreciated. It is very important that it be issued as soon as possible in order for the company to meet its contract requirements.

Very truly yours,
McCollister, Belcher, McCleary & Fazio
(S) Relfe H. McCollister"

"On January 2, 1964, we made application for a non-exclusive permit for dredging sand, gravel and fill materials in the Profit Island Area, designated as Mississippi River Mile 245 to 255 west side of Profit Island.

"In conjunction with the previous application, we hereby apply for an exclusive permit for dredging sand, gravel and fill materials in the Profit Island area designated as Mississippi River Mile 248 to 250, west side of Profit Island.

"All information furnished in our letter of January 2, 1964, is included herewith by reference thereto.

"Your good cooperation in presenting both applications at the earliest meeting of the commission, will be personally appreciated by us.

Very sincerely yours,
McCollister, Belcher, McCleary & Fazio
(S) Rolfe H. McCollister."

Dr. St. Amant stated that River Materials Inc., Baton Rouge, La., filed an application for a permit to dredge for sand, gravel and fill materials in the Mississippi River, between Mile 245 and 255, in the vicinity of Profit Island. He stated that the application met with all of the requirements necessary for such application and included the necessary maps and plats.

Dr. St. Amant stated that after the initial application dated January 2, 1964, was made, a second request was made, that an area between Mile 248 and 250 on the west side of Profit Island be granted in the form of an exclusive lease. He stated that he had notified the applicant over the telephone that other dredging operations now existed in this general area and that it was not the policy to grant exclusive leases under such

conditions, and, furthermore, if exclusive leases were granted in the area, it would seem reasonable to assume that the existing permits now in operation would have an opportunity to secure their dredging areas under exclusive lease before this application could be considered.

Dr. St. Ament stated that since the application is entirely in order with respect to the requirements, he had no objection to granting a permit in this area, but that the granting of an exclusive lease between Mile 248 and 250 would have to be at the discretion of the Commission.

After discussion, on motion of Mr. Fleming, seconded by Mr. Crain, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED that the application of River Materials, Inc. for a non-exclusive permit to dredge for sand, gravel and fill material in the Mississippi River between Mile 245 and 255, in the vicinity of Profit Island, be granted

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Director be authorized to sign any documents in connection therewith.

Mr. Yancey was called to the floor relative to bear restocking program.

Mr. Yancey stated that several individuals in the State have contacted this office to propose a program to restore the black bear as a game animal in the State. He stated - "We believe that this would be good for the Commission to favorably

consider this proposal. The black bear is a game animal in other sections, and over 45,000 were bagged in the United States last year. It could be made a good game animal in Louisiana. We have contacted several states to determine a source of black bear, and Minnesota is willing for us to send people to that State to trap black bear to be shipped back to this State for release. A similar program was started by Arkansas about three years ago, and they have traps in Minnesota now, and I believe that by contacting the Arkansas Fish and Game Commission for the use of their traps, perhaps we will only have to send personnel to Minnesota. If the Commission decides to go into this program, we propose that it be carried out under rigid rules and regulations."

On motion of Mr. Crain, seconded by Mr. Frey, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission proceed with the restocking program of black bear and that the following rules and regulations be adopted to carry out this program:

- 1) Releases will be made only after written applications are received from landowners, lessees or sportsman associations.
- 2) No area under 10,000 acres of woodlands will be considered for a release.

- 3) No release will be made without the consent of the landowners involved.
- 4) Release areas must be inspected and approved by Biologists field personnel of the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission.
- 5) A minimum of 20 animals will constitute a release, and at least 10 of this number to be sows.
- 6) No release will be made within one mile of agriculture or a settled area.
- 7) The bear season will be closed in and around the release site until huntable populations have been established as recommended by Commission Biologists.
- 8) All bears released must be taken from wild stock. No "garbage" of excess zoo animals will be released.

Director Young was called to the floor relative to deer trapping permit.

Director Young stated Mr. Joe Sidney Scivicque had requested renewal of his deer trapping permit to trap deer in Madison Parish and transfer them to Livingston Parish. Director Young stated it is contrary to Commission's usual policy to issue deer trapping permits, but for several years, Mr. Scivicque has been trapping deer and releasing them in Livingston Parish, and his work has been highly successful.

February 7, 8 and 9, 1964. Hunts will be conducted in the same manner this year as those held in 1963. These hunts have assisted in reducing the hog population, and he wished to continue these hunts as the hogs compete for wildlife foods.

Mr. Herring stated that in 1963, 1,477 hunter efforts were made killing 103 hogs. He said the kill will not be up to 103 this year, but we should eradicate as many as possible.

When asked if there were any problems involved in these hunts, Mr. Herring stated there were no complaints and the people were very happy.

Chairman Suquet inquired if he would have sufficient time for newspaper coverage, and Mr. Herring stated it was a local affair and it can be done.

On motion of Mr. Grain, seconded by Mr. Frey, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendations of the Chief of the Fish and Game Division, a controlled hunt for hogs be held on the Thistlethwaite Game Management Area, as follows:

- 1) A special hog control hunt be held on Thistlethwaite Game Management Area on February 7, 8 and 9, 1964.
- 2) Hunters be allowed to remove from the area all hogs killed during the hunts.
- 3) Hunters be issued daily permits. The number of daily permits to be limited - this number to be increased

by hunt supervisor until suitable pressure is reached.

4) No limit restriction to size or sex of animals to be made.

5) Animals may be taken with rifle, shotgun, or bows.

It being further understood that the primary purpose of the managed hunt was reduction and control of the hog population in that area as requested by both the management area landowners and the adjacent farmers.

Director Young was called to the floor with reference to asking the Highway Department to include alternates for shell use in highway projects; that the Committee had called upon officials of the Highway Department and had received a good reception at that time. Again last year, the Highway Department was requested to use shells wherever possible in the construction of highways. Last week, at least three representatives of the shell industry advised that major projects were being advertised in which alternates had not been included to promote the use of shells. Mr. Burgess, Director of the Highway Department was contacted and he was supposed to call to give the status. Director Young stated - "I am sure that there are members of the Shell Industry who would like to ^{be} heard on this."

Mr. George Douglas, representing Redcliff Materials, took the floor and stated that two projects were advertised - - Poutchartrain Bridge to Slidell - No. 450-18-07 and Paris Road,

No. 450-16-37. Both of these jobs are on the edge of Lake Pontchartrain and are main projects in the State. Both of the jobs had 4 or 5 different alternates, but shells were not included. He said - "We feel that since it is in the vicinity of the production area that we should be given an opportunity to bid on these projects. We ask that you pass a resolution and forward to the Highway Department".

On motion of Mr. Crain, seconded by Mr. Fairchild, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission is cognizant of the fact that certain raw materials, which are native resources of the State of Louisiana, can be satisfactorily used in the construction of highway projects, and

WHEREAS, this is particularly true of oyster and clam shell products of the water bottoms of Louisiana, and

WHEREAS, those industries engaged in the mining and selling of oyster and clam shells make vital contributions to the economy of Louisiana, and

WHEREAS, in previous conferences with officials of the Louisiana Highway Commission and members of the Shell Industry we were assured that every consideration would be given to including the use of shells in any and all construction as first or alternate selections of materials to be used in such construction, and

WHEREAS, this Commission's attention has been called to two projects, namely, Fentchartrain Bridge to Slidell, No. 450-18-07, and Paris Road, No. 450-16-37, both of which do not include as an alternate the use of oyster and clam shells, and

WHEREAS, since a source of supply is in the immediate vicinity of these jobs, and we are informed can be used satisfactorily in said construction, and we believe more economically,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Louisiana Highway Commission and its officials be respectfully requested to consider including an alternate in the specifications which will permit the use of oyster and/or clam shells in the construction of these projects.

Mr. Yancey was called to the floor relative to report on Rockefeller Refuge Mineral Leases.

Mr. Yancey stated - "Bids were accepted on 8 tracts located on the Rockefeller Wildlife Refuge by the State Mineral Board, at its meeting held on January 16, 1964. These tracts totaled 20,844 acres and bonuses amounted to \$2,499,404.00. Annual rentals will amount to one-half the bonus if the lessee fails to drill. Royalties amounted to one-sixth on oil, one-sixth on gas, \$2.00 on sulphur, and one-sixth on other minerals.

Following is a tabulation of the tracts for which bids

were accepted:

	<u>ACREAGE</u>	<u>LESSEE</u>	<u>BONUS</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
<u>Tract #8849</u>	2,500	Pan American Oil Co.	\$267,500	West end of Refuge
<u>Tract #8850</u>	1,723	Humble Oil Co.	220,026	Price Lake area
<u>Tract #8851</u>	2,429	Pan American Oil Co.	259,903	South part of Impoundment #3.
<u>Tract #8852</u>	3,182	Humble Oil Co.	410,026	Price Lake area.
<u>Tract #8853</u>	1,428	Pan American Oil Co.	102,816	NW 1/4 of Impoundment #4
<u>Tract #8854</u>	2,940	Humble Oil Co.	220,026	Straddles Humble Canal.
<u>Tract #8856</u>	960	Shell Oil Co.	124,800	Superior Canal
<u>Tract #8859</u>	2,619	Union Oil Co. of California	659,938	South part of Lake 14.

Mr. Yancey stated that bids were submitted on other tracts but the Mineral Board did not feel that they were high enough to accept.

Mr. Yancey stated that the rules and regulations for the purpose of protecting the refuge area will be incorporated as a part of these leases. These rules and regulations were incorporated in the leases issued last year and three of these are now being developed by means of roads, which is the method least damaging to wildlife. Arrangements were worked out with the mineral lessees to construct roads to drilling sites, rather than canals which are extremely damaging to marshes and wildlife on the refuge.

Mr. Fleming wanted to know if all drilling sites had to be reached by roads, and Mr. Yancey stated the regulations specified that roads will be constructed wherever feasible, but so far every site on the new leases have been reached by roads. However, there are some leases, issued back in 1952-54, in which this clause was not incorporated as part of the lease, and, therefore, the lessee can use canals. These have, however, been largely developed already.

Mr. Herring was called to the floor relative to acceptance of Minden Multi-Purpose building.

Mr. Herring stated that under the Accelerated Public Works Program, we had received 50% matching Federal Funds for the construction of a Multi-Purpose Building in Minden, Louisiana, comprising a work shed, storage and bunk house for personnel in transit, etc.; that the Howard Lumber Company of Minden completed the building as shown on Drawing File No. D-100 at a cost of \$18,132.00; that a thorough inspection of the building had been made and it was found that it meets or exceeds the plans and specifications in both workmanship and materials, and he recommended acceptance of the building so that final payment could be made.

On motion of Mr. Fleming, seconded by Mr. Frey, the following resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS, the Chief of the Fish and Game Division of the

Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission has certified that the Contractor, Howard Lumber Company of Minden, La., has completed Contract for the construction of the Multi-Purpose Building, at Minden, Louisiana, in accordance with Drawing D-190 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 Howard Lumber Company be and the same is hereby accepted.

Director Young was called upon relative to contribution to Gulf States Marine Fisheries Commission.

Director Young stated that the Gulf States Marine Fisheries Commission is made up of three representatives of the States of Louisiana, Florida, Alabama, Mississippi and Texas, and operated with funds contributed by the member States.

He said that for the past several years, Louisiana has been contributing \$5,000.00 annually. Last year, Texas increased its contribution from \$5,000.00 to \$6,000.00, and the other States will increase proportionately.

Director Young recommended that Louisiana increase its contribution to \$6,000.00 due to increased administrative costs, travel expenses, etc. added to the cost of the operation of the Commission. He states - "We feel a great deal has been accomplished by the work of this Commission".

On motion of Mr. Whatley, seconded by Mr. Frey, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED that contribution to the Gulf States Marine Fisheries Commission be increased from \$5,000.00 annually to \$6,000.00 annually, due to the increased administrative costs, travel expenses, etc. of operating the Commission.

Mr. Yancey was called to the floor relative to resolution opposing firearms registration and restrictions.

Mr. Yancey stated that presently there are a number of anti-fire arms bills before Congress. These bills have strong support, and if they are passed, they will affect every sportsman in the State, as it will make it difficult and more expensive for them to purchase a rifle or shotgun. He recommended that a resolution be adopted requesting the Louisiana Congressional Delegation to vigorously oppose these bills. Over 300,000 Louisiana citizens use firearms to hunt various forms of wildlife and these hunters do not want their rights to secure and bear firearms to be infringed upon.

Mr. Yancey told the Commission that hearings would be held Wednesday and Thursday by the Senate Committee on Commerce and that telegrams to each member of the Committee should be sent urging rejection of such legislation.

On motion of Mr. Whatley, seconded by Mr. Fleming, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission has been flooded with telephone, telegram, and written protests over the growing number of bills being introduced in Congress to regulate sale and possession of firearms, and

WHEREAS, the intent of these restrictive bills now being considered in Congressional Committees, and in Congressional Hearings, are in direct contradiction to these provisions of the Bill of Rights contained in the Second Amendment of the Constitution which guarantee the traditional right of Americans to keep and bear arms, and

WHEREAS, these bills, if passed, will create a serious problem for approximately 300,000 hunters in Louisiana to acquire, possess, and use firearms that they must have to pursue the great traditional American sport of hunting, a form of outdoor recreation which this Commission constantly endeavors to promote, and

WHEREAS, the anti-firearms bills under consideration would also deprive the citizenry of Louisiana of the Constitutionally provided right to protect life and property through the use of firearms, and

WHEREAS, several of the bills contain provisions that would leave the decision of who could purchase firearms, and who could not, to local officials or appointees, and

WHEREAS, the bills now pending in Congressional Committees would call for added license fees and paper work, making sporting arms more expensive and much more difficult to obtain, and

WHEREAS, present firearms bills in committee could be the basis for widespread gun registration, which has proved a dismal failure in other countries, greatly undermining the national security of those countries,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission does hereby go on record as being vigorously opposed to the stringent anti-firearms bills now under consideration in Congress, and that each Member of the Louisiana Congressional Delegation be urged to take whatever steps may be necessary to see that these bills do not become law.

It was pointed out that these bills were of a most serious nature since they will adversely affect the great outdoor sport of hunting, a form of ^{outdoor} recreation that the Commission has worked hard to develop. It was then stated that if advisable, perhaps Mr. Yancey could make the trip to Washington to discuss this with our delegation.

Mr. Whatley stated that Mr. Kyle was due in Washington next week and perhaps he could look in on this.

Chairman Duquet introduced Mr. John Edwin Kyle Jr., to all Division Chiefs and Commission personnel present at the meeting, with the thought that it will be a pleasure for them to do anything they can to help him with the functions of the department.

There being no further business to come before the Board, on motion of Mr. Whatley, seconded by Mr. Crain, the meeting adjourned, to be resumed in Baton Rouge on Monday, February 3, 1964, in the Governor's office to discuss the matter of land acquisition with the Governor and then reconvene in New Orleans on Tuesday, February 4, 1964, to consider and adopt budget for submission to the State Fiscal Officials and the Louisiana State Legislature, and to take action upon any other matters presented to the Board at either or both of these continued meetings.


L. D. Young Jr., Director & Secretary