

MINUTES
FALSE RIVER WATERSHED COUNCIL
October 23, 2019

The False River Watershed Council met in a regular session at 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, October 23, 2019 at the Pointe Coupee Parish Council Room in New Roads, Louisiana.

Mr. Ricky Moses called the meeting to order and directed Ms. Jeanne Hendrix to call the roll:

Present: Major Thibaut, Arthur Ewing, Jerry Hix, Steve Chustz, Mark Ward, Bijan Sharafkhani, Thomas Van Biersel, and Ricky Moses

Absent: Rick Ward, Brad Spicer, Cy Daquila, Jacob Haffner, Jeremy LaCombe, Jimmy Chustz, Ron Pourciau

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Motion to approve the agenda by Mr. Ewing and seconded by Mr. S. Chustz.

Resolved, that the agenda for the meeting of October 23, 2019 be accepted.

APPROVAL OF JUNE 26, 2019 MINUTES:

Motion to approve the minutes of the June 26, 2019 meeting by Mr. Ewing and second by Mr. S. Chustz.

Resolved, that the June 26, 2019 minutes are approved.

UPDATE ON FALSE RIVER ECOSYSTEM RESTORATION PROJECT – PHASE II:

Mr. Gerald Babin reported that the dredging on the north end was complete, and the disposal property is maxed out. A change order has been submitted and approved to dredge 24,000 cubic yards near the M1. Should only take about 30 days to complete. There will be a meeting on October 24, 2019 to look at the north site. Mr. Ewing asked about added height to the island. Mr. Babin stated that the felt the dip in the island would be filled. Mr. Hix asked about the removal point of the equipment.

NEW BUSINESS:

Priorities for Future: The group spoke about possible priorities for the council to address as follows:

- 1) Bulkheads along M1 canal;
- 2) Chenal Bayou;

- 3) Gate Structure;
- 4) Dredging;
- 5) Bayou Sere;
- 6) Pipe line raising;
- 7) Outflow channel property issues; and
- 8) Drainage issues in area.

OLD BUSINESS:

Mr. Brian Heimann gave an update on the drawdown. He reported a small fish kill on October 12, 2019 due to a fast moving cold front. The lake should be balanced out now and clear of any issues. New fish habitats are growing algae. All gates are open and at a level of 11.5 feet.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/PERSONAL PRIVILEGE:

Jude Glazer

Next meeting will be December 11, 2019 at 3:00 p.m.

Motion to Adjourn by Mr. Hix and seconded by Mr. S. Chustz.

Meeting Adjourned at 3:55 p.m.