

MINUTES
LAKE PROVIDENCE WATERSHED COUNCIL
April 14, 2021

The Lake Providence Watershed Council met via conference call at 11:00 a.m. on April 14, 2021.

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Moses.

ROLL CALL

Council Members Present (9): Ricky Moses (Chairman), Thomas Van Biersel, Andy Brister, Amanda Vincent, Francis Lensing, Jim Lensing, Mark Brown, Kevin Wofford and Roger Clement

PREVIOUS MINUTES

The minutes of the February 10, 2021 council meeting were approved (motion F. Lensing/2nd M. Brown)

NEW BUSINESS

- Francis Lensing reported that rainfall had been lighter than usual this Spring, that runoff from the field had been limited, that no high water occurred and that the turbidity had been down.
- Roger Clement reported that the parish is paying a contractor to continue cleaning and snagging Tensas Bayou up to HWY 134 and he think they will be finished by summer.

OLD BUSINESS

- No report from the Levee Board Mr. R. Minsky was absent.
- Watershed Report (T. Van Biersel) – thanked everyone that had contributed to the report and indicated that he would send the final version for approval the last week of the month. The report is due to the legislature by May 1.
- Police Jury Update – Roger Clements indicated that the \$100,000 for a lake study had been included in the Capital Outlay request. He indicated that \$200,000 would be available from the DOTD highway swap money for to engineer structures.
- LWI Update – DOTD has projects lined up that DWF is looking at. Ricky Moses did not know if any of those included Lake Providence. Amanda Vincent indicated that a proposal for East Carroll and Madison Parishes had been submitted.
- Tensas Bayou weir – Mark Brown indicated there was a lot of water going over the weir, primarily on the half closest to the highway where there are no more cement bags.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Francis Lensing indicated there had been a local bass tournament on the lake during the last week of March and that the weights were higher than the last few years and that bass fishing had picked up.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

The next council meeting was scheduled for Wednesday June 16, 2021 at 11:00 a.m. in Lake Providence at the sheriff annex.

Meeting adjourned at 11:45 a.m. (motion F. Lensing/2nd R. Clement)

Ricky Moses, Chairman