

**MINUTES**  
**LAKE PROVIDENCE WATERSHED COUNCIL**  
**Feb. 15, 2022**

The Lake Providence Watershed Council via conference call at 11:00 a.m. on February 15, 2022.

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Moses.

**ROLL CALL**

Council Members Present (5): Ricky Moses (Chairman), Thomas Van Biersel, Francis Lensing, Jim Lensing, Reynold Minsky, Amanda Vincent, Mark Brown, Andy Brister, Kevin Wofford.

A quorum was met.

Others in Attendance: R. Daniel (WLF), Anthony Bridgewater (NRCS), Kristi Butler (LDWF, incoming chair)

**PREVIOUS MINUTES**

The minutes of the April 14, 2021 meeting were approved (F. Lensing, M. Brown 2<sup>nd</sup>). The meetings on July 7, 2021, and Sept. 29, 2021 did not achieve quorum, thus the minutes could not be approved.

**AGENDA**

The agenda for this meeting was approved.

**OLD BUSINESS**

- Levee Board Update: Mr. Minsky spoke with a rep. from Julia Letlow's office requesting funds to clean banks of Tensas. Mulching and grubbing was recommended. Mr. Minsky mentioned that the work has been authorized to be completed by COE and that they have been conducting a study. R. Moses suggested a letter of support from the Council to Letlow's office. T. Van Biersel also suggested a letter in support of the Fifth Levee District's efforts to pursue this project. A letter will be drafted by T. Van Biersel and submitted to Council members for review. The letter will mention that this project should greatly promote adequate drainage of the lake. A motion was made by T. Van Biersel to submit a letter and a second was given by Mr. Minsky. All members were in support.
- Lake Providence Watershed Commission Report: T. Van Biersel reported that last year's annual report has been received by both Senate and House committees. This year's report is due May 1. Thomas Van Biersel will begin drafting the new report in the coming month.
- Police Jury Update: M. Brown stated that all of the Police Jury clearing on Tensas and Baxter should be completed.
- LWI Update: A. Bridgewater stated the need for the Police Jury to get all projects submitted. He also recommended a review of other Parish Police Jury projects submitted. Andy Brister offered to contact Roger Clement for an update.

- Fisheries Update: R. Daniel stated that no fisheries sampling was scheduled for 2022.

#### NEW BUSINESS

- The resignation of Council member Teddy Schneider was announced. A. Brister suggested a meeting of local Council members to discuss potential nominees to replace the Town of Lake Providence rep. on the Council.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

#### PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

#### OTHER – Next Meeting Date

The next council meeting was scheduled for Tues., March 29, 2022 at 11:00 a.m. in Lake Providence at the sheriff annex. A conference call was also scheduled on Wed., March 16 to discuss the draft letter to be submitted to Letlow's office.

Meeting adjourned at 11:40 a.m. Motion: F. Lensing, Second: Mark Brown

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Ricky Moses, Chairman