

MINUTES
Chenier Plain Coastal Restoration and Protection Authority
(CPCRPA)
Tuesday, July 18, 2023 5:00 PM
Cameron Parish Police Jury Meeting Room
Cameron, Louisiana

President, Kay Barnett, called the meeting to order at five o'clock PM.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Sara Judson. A moment of silent reflection or prayer followed.

Susan Mouton initiated the roll call with the following results:

Jake McCain – Absent	Kay Barnett – Present
Phillip “Scooter” Trosclair – Absent	Kalyn Partin – Absent
Trevor Hair – Present	Earl Landry, Jr. - Present
Earnestine “Tina” Horn – Present	
Sara Judson – Present	

Guest in attendance were: Elizabeth McLaughlin, Congressman Clay Higgins’ field representative; Kara Bonsall, Cameron Coastal Zone Administrator; Laurie Cormier, CPRA Board Member; and Jerry Carroll, CPRA.

President Barnett asked if anyone in the audience had any questions or comments for the Board. There were none.

A motion was made by Trevor Hair, seconded by Earl Landry, and carried to accept the minutes of the previous meeting as presented to the Board.

Jerry Carroll, Lafayette Regional Operations Manager at CPRA, gave the board a Regional Project update.

President Barnett gave the Administrative Coastal Report:

- Advised the board of the American Press coverage of the April 18, 2023 Chenier Plain meeting and an article concerning the Alternative Oyster Culture Project taking place at the south end of Calcasieu Lake.
- There was also media coverage concerning the C-SPAN presentation, Jacob Jewell’s film, “The Forgotten Coast”.
- A Partnership Project Agreement between CPRA and the United States Corps of Engineers for three hundred million dollars was signed for a non-structural program for homes and business elevation projects and six miles of shoreline protection at Rockefeller Refuge. This was authorized under the Water Infrastructure Improvements for the Nation Act of 2016.
- House Bill 255 passed. This bill allows a tax credit for Louisiana restaurants to recycle their oyster shells to build reefs that will slow coastal erosion and create a habitat for new oyster growth.
- Governor John Bel Edwards signed the 2023 Coastal Master Plan and the 2024 Annual Plan as approved by the Legislature.
- Chip Kline resigned as Director of Coastal Activities and Chairman of the Louisiana Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority. Bren Haase will serve as Chairman of CPRA and Greg Grandy will serve as the CPRA Executive Director.
- The Acadiana Watershed District was created. The boundary legal description will be complete by January 1, 2024.

- A subpoena was served to the board concerning the Parish of Cameron vs. Auster Oil and Gas. Requested information was provided to Kean, Miller, LLP on June 19, 2023.
- NOLA.com interviewed Scooter Trosclair concerning coastal erosion.
- CPRA advisory committee will meet at the Lake Charles Seed Center on July 26, 2023.

It was moved by Tina Horn seconded by Sara Judson and carried that the Treasurer's Report as presented by Trevor Hair is hereby approved and includes up to \$1,500 for Kay Barnett to attend the State of the Coast Conference and \$13,000 to be moved from the board's checking account into the LAMP investment account.

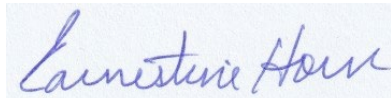
It was moved by Earl Landry, seconded by Sara Judson and carried that the 2023 Budget is hereby approved.

President Barnett announced that the next meeting of the Board will be held on Tuesday, October 17, 2023, at the LSU Ag Center in Abbeville, LA at 5 PM.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Earl Landry, seconded by Trevor Hair, and carried that the meeting is adjourned.

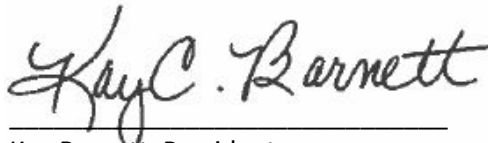
Adopted and Approved on this 17th day of October, 2023.

Attest:



Earnestine (Tina) Horn, Secretary

Approved:



Kay Barnett, President