

**Laffites Cove Nature Society  
Board of Directors meeting**

The Laffites Cove Nature Society held a Board meeting on November 8, 2014 at the Galveston Country Club in Galveston, Texas. Bonnie White, President, called the meeting to order at 8:00 A.M. A quorum was established by the attendance of Bonnie White, Mort Voller, Brenda Dawson, Ben Hock and Phil Glass. Susan Gonzales with CKM was also in attendance. Dr. Steve Alexander was in attendance.

The Board reviewed the minutes. Motion by Brenda Dawson and seconded by Mort Voller the minutes of September 3, 2014 were approved by unanimous vote. The website needs to be updated with minutes. The PPOA website Board members emails need to be hot-linked.

Ben Hock gave the financial and collection report. The budget was also reviewed. Discussion was held on making changes to the budget. Discussion was held concerning the annual assessment. Motion by Brenda Dawson seconded by Mort Voller the Board by unanimous vote approved the financial and collection report.

Mort Voller reviewed the adjustments to the Budget based on future maintenance. Motion by Brenda Dawson and seconded by Ben Hock the Board by unanimous vote approved the budget as amended.

Motion by Bonnie White and seconded by Brenda Dawson, the Board approved to invest the two \$50K certificates of Deposits for up to 1 year based on obtaining the best rate. The Signatures will be Bonnie White – President, Ben Hock – Treasurer and Susan Gonzales – Managing Agent.

Discussion on the use of the excess funds for the dredge disposal site, Reserve “B”. Mort discussed that in time we may need to hire an engineer to look at the area to determine if we dredge in the future to make it ready and how much time we need. An engineer would need to determine what would need to be done.

Mort stated we have not had the major mow done, as it has been wet, we are now looking at doing the uplands. We will be removing some of the grasses to allow access for the birds. At the Binnacle entrance a no parking sign was added which will help with the parking issues. The curb will be painted in the future.

The information sheet was reviewed. Send the whole Board the information sheet. It is a document we would send out to the residence stating what we expect. It will be mailed out to members with the invoice and posted on the website.

Mort stated he has a lot of history, which will be turned over to Steve Alexander.

\$50,000 Bonnie was going to contact Chris Cahill concerning the discharge. >???

Mort Voller has tendered his resignation but will continue on as an advisory to the Board. Bonnie commended Mort for all of his hard work through many years of service.

Mort, Scott and Phil recommended Dr. Steve Alexander. Steve comes with a lot of experience. Motion by Mort Voller seconded by Phil Glass, the Board appoints Dr. Steve Alexander as a Scientific Director, which was confirmed by an email where all three Directors agreed to the appointment.

Motion by Brenda, second by Phil the meeting adjourned at 9 am.  
Susan Gonzales, recording Secretary