Atchafalaya Trace Commission/
Atchafalaya National Heritage Area

Sept. 14, 2016 Notes

A regular meeting of the Atchafalaya Trace Commission was scheduled for Tuesday, Sept. 14, 2016, at 10 a.m. at the Capitol Park Conference Center in Baton Rouge.

Commissioners present:
Ascension: Charles Caillouet
Assumption: Phillip Daigle
Avoyelles: Wilbert Carmouche, Secretary
Iberville: Clifford LeGrange
Lafayette: Jennifer Guidry, Chair
St. Martin: Aaron Flegeance

Commissioners absent:
Concordia: Glenn McGlothin
East Baton Rouge: Gerren Sias
Iberia: Chris Burton
Pointe Coupee: J. A. Rummler
St. Landry: Herman Fuselier
St. Mary: Carrie Stansbury, Vice-chair
Terrebonne: Mart Black, Treasurer
West Baton Rouge: Julie Rose

Others present:
Debra Credeur, Executive Director; Ashley Herrick, Assistant Director; Alex Strader and John Welch, Carbo Landscape Architects; Claire Coco and Jessica Guthrie, BREC’s Bluebonnet Swamp; Gerard Overhultz, Laissez Faire Inc., Pamela Caillouet; Jessica Dixon, Office of State Parks; April Newman, Atchafalaya Basin Program/LDNR

The number of commissioners present did not constitute a quorum. There was an informal discussion during which Ashley Herrick took notes. Items discussed:

GENERAL INFORMATION
- 10th Anniversary of October 12 ANHA Federal Designation - October social media promotion: “Where are We Now?” Landscape photo identification and bottle giveaway.
- Remaining meeting dates for 2016: Nov. 2.
- The meeting dates for 2017 have been set for the SECOND WEDNESDAY. Mark your calendars for January 11, March 8, May 10, July 12, September 13 and November 8.
- If Commissioners have not turned in signed Conflict-of-Interest statement required by the National Park Service, please do so.
- Several Commissioners’ terms expire in March 2017 as indicated in Commissioner packets. Please let Debra know by January if you are interested in serving another term.
- The federal fiscal year ends 9-30-2016 so we will start new time sheets October 1. Please record current fiscal year hours on time sheets, sign and turn in to Ashley.
- ANHA budget projections remain unchanged until we actually get bids and firm pricing on Trail signage and kiosks, estimated to be about the amount of funding for the fiscal year ending in September.
- Discussed Atchafalaya Water Heritage Trail progress, Educational Speaker Series upcoming events, ANHA lapel pin, Atchafalaya Basin news
- Upcoming events:
  - September 23-24 Creole Heritage Conference, Natchitoches
  - September 28-29 Keep Louisiana Beautiful Conference, Baton Rouge
  - October Atchafalaya Month
  - October 1 Swamp Life Expo
  - October 7-9 Tour du Teche
  - October 12 Atchafalaya National Heritage Area 10th Anniversary
  - October 22 Shake Your Trail (Teche)
  - November 2 Atchafalaya Commission Meeting