



SPARTA GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT COMMISSION MEETING
Executive Committee Meeting

Monday, December 18, 2017 at 10:00 A.M.
Reese Hall Conference Room
Louisiana Tech University

MINUTES/ MEETING NOTES

CALL TO ORDER: The December 18 meeting of the Executive Committee of the Sparta Groundwater Conservation District Commission was called to order by Mr. Zack Spivey at 10:00 A.M. at the Louisiana Tech University in Ruston, LA, in Lincoln Parish. All Executive Members were present

The **Invocation** was given by Mr. Nick Cox. The **Pledge of Allegiance** was led by Lincoln Parish Police Juror, Skip Russell.

Approval of Agenda: The agenda was approved unanimously.

Welcome and Comments: The following guest were in attendance: Mr. Courtney Hall- Lincoln Parish Police Jury, Mr. Tony Duplichin- Capital Area Groundwater C.C., Ms. Stacia Davis- LSU Ag Center, Ms. Nancy Bergeron- Ruston Daily Leader, Mr. Jim York- DNR, Mr. Charles Sawyer- Union Parish Police Jury President, and Mr. Skip Russell- Lincoln Parish Police Jury.

Public Comments: None

Act 425: Mr. Zack Spivey explained the History of Act 425 and how the reporting is now prepared. Mr. Tony Duplichin explained how Act 425 effected the Capital Ground Water's reporting process. He said the reporting process is now very long, approximately 220 pages of reports. A lot of technical information is now being require such as half a year's pumping records, and water sells out of their district. Mr. Zack Spivey stated that Sparta Groundwater Commission is pro-business, and that we pull out approximately 57 million gallons a day, at a recharge rate of approximately 54 million gallons. Mr. Jack Clampit along with comments from Mr. Skip Russell discussed the Union Lincoln Initiative as a groundwater conservation effort, and also discussed a collaboration of Police Jurors across Sparta's 16 parishes.

Sparta Commission's Establishing Legislation: Mr. Zack Spivey discussed changes to our current Legislation. 1st He recommended that we make the 6 rotating commission seats permanent for 3 years. 2nd that our commissioners can stay on the commission until they are either reappointed or replaced. Mr. Jack Clampit stated he felt we need the ability to regulate who pulls out of the Sparta and we need the ability to generate revenue. All committee members were given a copy of our commission's original legislation, Act. No 1228, to review. A Motion was made that a set of recommendations for future legislative consideration be prepared by Ms. Lindsay Gouedy and Mr. Zack Spivey. The motion was made by Mr. Jack Clampit and seconded by Mr. Charles Hughes.

Meeting Adjourned at 11:23 AM

Zack Spivey, President .

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Nick Cox".

Nick Cox, Secretary

Committee Members: Zack Spivey(Ruston) Jack Clampit (Ouachita) Rick Buckner (Minden)
Nick Cox (Webster) Charles Hughes (Wood Products)