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COASTAL ZONE MANAGEMENT & RESTORATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CZMRAC) MINUTES OF April 7, 2026

1. Chairman Ernie Babin called the regular meeting of the CZMRAC to order at 5:00 p.m. Tuesday, April 7, 2026, in the Council Meeting Room, 2nd Floor, Government Tower. Chairman Babin led the Invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance.
2. Present were Ernie Babin, Matt Benoit, Jeff DeBlieux, Merlin Lirette, Jan Rogers, Barry Soudelier, Marvin Steward, and Mickey Thomas. Absent: Tony Antill. Also, present: Mart Black, Director of Department of Coastal Restoration.
3. Mr. Soudelier moved, seconded by Mr. Rogers, "THAT the CZMRAC **accept** the minutes for the meeting of March 3, 2026." *NO OPPOSITON, MOTION CARRIED, CHAIRMAN DECLARED MOTION ADOPTED.*
4. New Business:

Local Concern Applications: -

- P20260099; Dwight Caton; Proposed to deepen an existing canal, budget & spray dredge from 3ft to 4ft to 6ft to 7ft; T18S-R18E. Terrebonne Parish, LA

Mr. Black informed the Committee that he and the State have investigated this permit and the following conditions will be required: Areas that are to be spray dredged must also have a containment dike(s), In areas that are to be bucket dredged, the applicant needs to make sure that the stacked materials settle within the tidal mean, Spray dredged material deposited in the marsh will be limited to the point of not converting the marsh to uplands, limiting placement height to no more than 6 inches before settlement conducive to marsh revegetation, Excavated material must be used beneficially to improve marsh productivity and create new wetlands, taking care not to impound or drain wetlands, and All subject to a growing season for reevaluation.

Mr. Black recommended an LCUP with conditions. Discussion was held on this application.

Mr. DeBlieux moved, seconded by Mr. Rogers, "THAT the CZMRAC **approve with conditions** the issuance of a Coastal Impact Certificate and Coastal Use Permit for P20260099." *NO OPPOSITON, MOTION CARRIED, CHAIRMAN DECLARED MOTION ADOPTED.*

- P20260178; Civil engineering Services; Proposed addition to existing AutoZone, increasing the building square footage & adding more parking at 1162 Grand Caillou Road, Houma, LA. Terrebonne Parish, LA

Mr. Black informed the Committee that following the site is Upland and recommends LCUP. Discussion was held on this application.

Mr. Soudelier moved, seconded by Mr. Rogers, "THAT the CZMRAC **approve with conditions** the issuance of a Coastal Impact Certificate and Coastal Use Permit for P20260178." *NO OPPOSITON, MOTION CARRIED, CHAIRMAN DECLARED MOTION ADOPTED.*

- P20260204; TPCG; Proposed renovation of existing sections of the containment levee surrounding the aeration basin that has degraded overtime at Ashland Landfill Road, Houma, LA. Terrebonne Parish, LA

Mr. Black informed the Committee that, following the site visit, they will avoid the wetland areas. Mr. Black recommended issuing an LCUP with Condition: Avoidance of Permanent Impacts to Wetland Area. Discussion was held on this application.

Mr. DeBlieux moved, seconded by Mr. Antill, "THAT the CZMRAC **approve with conditions** the issuance of a Coastal Impact Certificate and Coastal Use Permit for P20260204." *NO OPPOSITON, MOTION CARRIED, CHAIRMAN DECLARED MOTION ADOPTED.*

State Concern Applications: - None

Consistency Determinations/Modifications: None

6. Sub-Committees:

The Project Sub-Committee did not meet in March 2026.

The next Project Sub-Committee Meeting: TBA.

7. Director's Report - Mr. Black presented the Director's Report.

8. Public Comment – None

9. Committee Member Comments – None

10. Chairman Babin stated that the next meeting of the CZMRAC will be held Tuesday, May 5, 2026, at 5:00 pm in the Terrebonne Parish Council Meeting Room located on the Second Floor of Government Tower.

11. Mr. Soudelier moved, Mr. Rogers seconded "That, there being no further business and to come before the CZMRAC, the meeting be adjourned" *NO OPPOSITON, MOTION CARRIED, CHAIRMAN DECLARED MOTION ADOPTED* and the meeting adjourned at 5:35pm.

Vicki Summers – Minute Clerk