



LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT of
AGRICULTURE & FORESTRY

MIKE STRAIN, DVM *Commissioner*

MINUTES

**LOUISIANA LIVESTOCK BRAND COMMISSION BOARD MEETING
NOVEMBER 07, 2024
10:00 AM**

**LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND FORESTRY
VETERANS MEMORIAL AUDITORIUM
5825 FLORIDA BOULEVARD, 1ST FLOOR
BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA 70806**

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Mike Strain at 10:02 am.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Honorable Brian Frazier led the pledge of allegiance.

OATH OF OFFICE

Amy McInnis issued the oath of office to the board members.

ROLL CALL

Roll call was taken by Cheryl Gardner.

Members present:

Commissioner Mike Strain Ex Officio, Vic Blanchard, David M Richard, Jarrett Daigle, Sheriff Brian Spillman, John Thompson, Nickey Smith, Henry Capdeboscq, Gertrude Hawkins, Honorable Brian Frazier, Sheriff Jason Smith.

Members absent:

Brent Robbins, DVM, Reggie Lucas, Sheriff Julian Whittington, Honorable John Belton, Charles Garrett, Sheriff Sam Craft.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Commissioner Mike Strain thanked the board and discussed the job of the Brand Enforcement Officers.

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ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Sheriff Brian Spillman made the motion to nominate John Thompson as Vice-Chair; the motion was seconded by Henry Capdeboscq. Motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion made by Sheriff Brian Spillman to approve the minutes; the motion was seconded by John Thompson. Motion passed unanimously.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS, BOARDS AND COMMISSION

Enforcement Director, Scott Perry introduced the Livestock Brand Commission Brand Enforcement Officers and Security Supervisor.

Enforcement Director, Scott Perry discussed the roles of the Brand Enforcement Officers and Security divisions.

Board member Gertrude Hawkins arrived at the meeting at 10:12 am.

OLD BUSINESS

Enforcement Director, Scott Perry discussed the number of complaints, arrests, and the dollar amount of recovered stolen livestock.

Enforcement Director, Scott Perry discussed the new Online Livestock Brand Renewal for brand renewals, the number of brands registered, the Lifetime Brand option and the saddle microchipping program.

Board member Jarrett Daigle asked about the lifetime brand.

Board member John Thompson asked about the new EID ear tags.

Commissioner Mike Strain discussed wildfires in the state

NEW BUSINESS

Amy McInnis discussed the Open Meetings/ADA regulations.



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Motion was made by John Thompson to approve the Open Meetings/ADA rules; motion was seconded by Jarrett Daigle. The motion passed unanimously.

Amy McInnis discussed the Petitions for Rulemaking changes.
The motion was made by Jarrett Daigle to approve the Petitions for Rulemaking changes; motion was seconded by Henry Capdebosq. The motion passed unanimously.

Amy McInnis discussed the Petitions for Declaratory Order.
The motion was made by Jarrett Daigle to approve the Petitions for Declaratory Order; motion was seconded by Vic Blanchard.

Amy McInnis discussed the Sexual Harassment and Ethics training that needs to be completed by the board members.

Scott Perry discussed the addition of the Hammond position of a Brand Enforcement Officer.

Commissioner Mike Strain discussed the update of the IT department to track all equipment, the bills in the Legislative session and the budget.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comments were submitted.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

November 06, 2025

MOTION TO ADJOURN

A motion was made by Jarrett Daigle to adjourn the meeting; The motion was seconded by Sheriff Brian Spillman. This motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 10:53 am.


CHAIR