I. General Meeting

- Meeting called to order by Jerry Mohn at approximately 12:25. Board members in attendance were introduced and sponsors recognized.

- Board members were approved to serve another three years. Board members elected were:
  
  Ron Mills – Willacy County  
  Kevin Carruth – Aransas County  
  John Lee – Galveston County  
  Marie Robb – At Large  
  Jerry Mohn – At Large  
  Dr. Bill Seitz – At Large

- Officers elected after the meeting via email include:
  
  Jerry Mohn – President  
  John Lee - Vice-President, Upper Coast  
  David Parsons - Vice-President, Mid Coast  
  Joni Clarke – Bharat Patel, Lower Coast  
  Dan Heilman - Secretary  
  Marie Robb – Treasurer

- Bill Worsham, LJA Engineering introduced elected officials including:
  
  Jefferson County Judge Jeff Branick  
  Port Neches Mayor Glenn Johnson

  Welcome by Honorable Mayor Glenn Johnson

II. Presentation

- Bill Worsham, LJA Engineering, discussed two projects in Jefferson County with a power point.

  1. Bill gave an update on the **Salt Bayou Watershed Restoration Project** where a grant was awarded to Jefferson County by the Gulf Environmental Benefits Fund to construct two freshwater siphons that will restore freshwater flow to 18,000 acres of
wetlands within the Salt Bayou Watershed, the largest contiguous estuarine marsh complex in Texas. The siphons will reconnect freshwater flows from north of the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway (GIWW) to the fragile coastal wetlands to the south.

2. Bill showed the construction of approximately 20 miles of dune ridge and nourished beach face along the McFaddin National Wildlife Refuge shoreline, utilizing sediments from an offshore borrow area. The improvements plan to protect the sensitive wetlands within the Refuge and the Salt Bayou watershed from increasing seawater inundation; protect the Chenier beach ridge from further erosion and shoreline retreat; and, re-create lost dune/beach habitat.

III. Newsletter

- Chair Cris Weber will be preparing a newsletter for mid December and is requesting articles and to send to: Cris.Weber@freese.com

IV: Legislative Agenda

- Chair John Lee handed out and presented the Texas Chapter Legislative Agenda for the 2017 Texas Legislative Session and the 2017 Federal Legislative and Policy Agenda. These will be used by members in meetings with Texas and Washington Legislators in 2017. Several bullet points on each were reviewed and the agendas included issues by coastal communities.

V. ASBPA Fall Conference


VI. Next meeting

- March 8, 2017, Austin, Texas, a luncheon at the Scholz Garden Restaurant
- Guest Speaker: GLO Commissioner George P. Bush

VII. Adjournment: Meeting adjourned 2:00 PM