## MICO MEETING APRIL 24, 2019

Membership Meeting April 24, 2019 Fat Jack's

Meeting was called to order by Pres. Bonnie Peyroux at 7:10 PM. Monica Tyler gave invocation followed by Pledge led by Jeff Carey.

Minutes having been provided at every table, Naomie Hess requested attendees read over the minutes and asked for a motion to dispense with reading of those minutes. Motion made and carried. Treasurer's report was also set out on the tables and after members had a chance to read over the report. Naomie asked if there were any questions. Having no questions a motion was made to accept the report - motion carried.

Ron Henderson a representative of the Insurance Commissioner's Office was then introduced by Naomie and he took over the meeting. He talked about the Commissioner's Office trying to get more companies to write in Louisiana thus increasing competition and lowering rates. He then stated that insurance costs overall in the state were lower than in previous years. This is not so for this area. He suggested that people shop for less expensive insurance but admitted that to change companies is not always in one's best interest. He also said that if you have a claim in dispute with your company, you can take your complaint to the Insurance Commissioner and have it arbitrated at no additional cost to you.

John Faust spoke about the study being done in this area for flood protection was being done by using outdated facts - some as long ago as 1965. The Levee Board is looking into this and requesting new models be studied. We are boxed in by levees to protect other areas - these levees were built without benefit of impact study. John is attempting to get us mitigation in order to allow levees in "swamp land". EPA can set aside such requirement by mitigation. See: pg 201 of EGC Report of 2012.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:30