

RESOLUTION NO. 60 OF 2021

BY THE CADDO PARISH COMMISSION:

A RESOLUTION URGING AND REQUESTING THE LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES, OFFICE OF CONSERVAION TO SCHEDULE A MEETING WITH CADDO PARISH CITIZENS, AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, Caddo Parish citizens are experiencing nuisances and inconveniences as a result of drilling and fracking; and

WHEREAS, several of these citizens are not lessors and thus had no input into the circumstances with which they must currently contend; and

WHEREAS, the citizens who are lessors were not fully informed of the hazardous conditions surrounding drilling and fracking; and

WHEREAS, nuisances such as dust and noise pollution are causing health problems and loss of quality of life for these citizens; and

WHEREAS, some of the issues to be addressed in these public meetings and hearings are as follows:

- a. Meetings between citizens and drilling companies prior to the commencement of operations.
- b. Noise and dust mitigation efforts by drilling companies.
- c. Making oil and gas leases clearer.
- d. Drilling companies providing adequate contact information for citizens.
- e. Facilitating resolution of property damage issues between citizens and drilling companies without the need for legal action.
- f. Eliminating disparities in drilling companies' treatment of citizens.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Caddo Parish Commission in due, regular and legal session convened, that the Caddo Parish Commission does hereby urge and request the Louisiana Department of Natural Resources, Office of Conservation to hold public meetings and if necessary, public hearings with Caddo Parish Citizens regarding these nuisances as soon as possible.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Caddo Parish Commission urges and request the Department of Natural Resources to enact a six-month moratorium on drilling and fracking within the parish until a resolution to the nuisance issues can be reached.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be forwarded to Louisiana Department of Natural Resources, Office of the Commissioner of Conservation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if any provision or item of this resolution or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items or applications which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, items or applications, and to this end, the provisions of this resolution are hereby declared severable.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution shall take effect immediately.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all resolutions or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Approved as to legal form:

Parish Attorney

Date