

Minutes of the Regular Monthly Board meeting of the North Lafourche Conservation, Levee & Drainage District, June 18, 2024

The Regular Monthly meeting of the North Lafourche Conservation, Levee and Drainage District Board of Commissioners was called to order on Tuesday, June 18, 2024, by Vice President Tim Allen at 5:19 pm. The pledge was led by Darcy Kiffe and invocation given by Elmo Pitre. The meeting was held at the District's office at 3862 Highway 1 in Raceland. Vice President Allen called roll. Commissioners present were Rodney Foret, Tory Hebert, Elmo Pitre, Tim Allen, Adley Peltier, Robert Pitre, and Darcy Kiffe. Commissioners Cory Kief, Louis Andolsek, Percy Gasery and Monique Crochet were absent. Others present were: NLLD Executive Director Dwayne Bourgeois, NLLD Executive Assistant Katie DeRoche, Program/Project Manager Arthur Ostheimer, NLLD Field Coordinator Travis Colombel, Project/Accounting Assistant Brandy Theriot, Accounting Specialist Kayla Culpepper, and various engineering professionals.

Approval of Minutes: T. Hebert motioned, seconded by E. Pitre to approve the minutes of Tuesday, May 21, 2024, Finance & Priority Committee meeting and the Regular Board meeting. No discussion or public comment. Motion passed unanimously.

E. Pitre motioned, seconded by D. Kiffe to deviate from the agenda for comment opportunity from two public members. No discussion or public comment. Motion passed unanimously. Ray Cheramie, who resides at 118 Serville Lane, Larose, LA addressed the board on trees growing along the bank on his property. Phillip Gouaux, who resides at 1421 Hyland Dr., Lockport, LA also addressed the board on NLLD aiding in clearing Bayou Folsé. The board agreed NLLD staff could address these issues. E. Pitre motioned, seconded by T. Hebert to return to the regular agenda. No discussion or public comment. Motion passed unanimously.

A. Thibodaux – West Project Area: report given

B. Thibodaux - Lockport - Bayou Blue Project Area:

Bayou Blue – Hollywood Backwater Flood Protection Project: report given.

Drainage District 12 Prairie Levee Improvements: D. Bourgeois and A. Ostheimer gave an updated report for this project. R. Foret motioned, seconded by A. Peltier to approve payment of Pay Request No. 5 in the amount of \$981,974.32 from Onshore Materials, LLC as recommended by the project engineer. No discussion or public comment. Motion passed unanimously.

Upper Bayou Folsé Watershed Backwater Flood Protection: Report given.

C. Lockport - Larose Project Area:

Lockport to Larose Reach B Levee Project: D. Bourgeois and A. Ostheimer gave an updated report for this project. A. Peltier motioned, seconded by D. Kiffe to accept the Certificate of Substantial Completion from Low Land Construction Company, Inc. as recommended by the project engineer. No discussion or public comment. Motion passed unanimously. E. Pitre motioned, seconded by T. Hebert to approve balancing Change Order No. 8 to increase the contract amount by \$284,504.30 to adjust contract quantities to installed quantities and increase the contract time by 9 days due to additional work performed and adverse weather conditions in the month of May as requested by Low Land Construction Company, Inc. and recommended by the project engineer. No discussion or public comment. Motion passed unanimously. D. Kiffe motioned, seconded by R. Foret to approve payment of Pay Request No. 13 in the amount of \$306,179.96 from Low Land Construction Company, Inc. as recommended by the project engineer. No discussion or public comment. Motion passed unanimously.

Lockport to Larose Reach D5 Levee Improvements: Report given.

D. Choupic Project Area:

West Choupic & St. James Project Area Backwater Flood Protection: Report given.

Bowie Forced Drainage System Levee Improvements: Report given.

E. St. James Project Area:

Woodland Heights Levee: Report given.

F. Lake Bouef Watershed Project Area:

Zeller/Larousse Forced Drainage Area Systems Improvements: Report given.

G. Gheens Project Area:

Upper Barataria Risk Reduction (UBRR) Project: Report given.

Upper Barataria Risk Reduction (UBRR) Haul Road: Report given.

H. Valentine - East Project Area:

Industrial Park Road Floodwall-North American Shipyard to Bayou Lafourche: Report given.

Morganza to the Gulf Eastern Tie-in, Reach 1 Eunice Allemand: Report given.

Morganza to the Gulf Eastern Tie-in, reach 2 Interim Improvements: Report given.

Morganza to the Gulf Eastern Tie-in, Reach 3 Interim Improvements: Report given.

Ludevine Pump Station Replacement: Report given.

T-Bois Ludevine Levee Tie In: Report given.

I. Maintenance and other Regional Projects: A. Ostheimer gave an updated report on maintenance projects.

Morganza to the Gulf: Report given.

J. Equipment: Travis Colombel gave an update on equipment issues within the last month.

K. General Items:

Photo Presentation: A. Ostheimer reported and presented photos on the various projects.

NLLD Joined Lawsuit against FEMA on RR2.0: D. Bourgeois gave an update.

Other Meetings this Month: D. Bourgeois stated in addition to the regular monthly meeting circuit and those previously discussed, he reported on other meetings attended.

Finance & Priority Committee: Committee Vice Chairman Elmo Pitre reported that the Finance and Priority Committee conducted a meeting on May 21, 2024 and there are a copy of those minutes in the meeting packet. During that meeting, the committee reviewed and approved the Payables report that was recommended and accepted for approval by the full board during the Regular Board meeting that followed.

Accounts Payable: E. Pitre motioned, seconded by A. Peltier to accept the payables report as given. No discussion or public comment. Motion passed unanimously.

With no other engineering reports or additional public comments, the Vice President stated the next Regular Monthly Board Meeting will be at 5:20 PM (or immediately following the F&P Committee meeting) on Tuesday, July 16, 2024, at this office located at 3862 Highway 1 in Raceland.

The meeting was unanimously adjourned at 6:46 PM on motion by E. Pitre, seconded by T. Hebert.

/s/Cory Kief, President

/s/Dwayne Bourgeois, Executive Director