

Minutes of the Regular Monthly Board meeting of the North Lafourche Conservation, Levee & Drainage District, Tuesday, July 18, 2017

A regular monthly meeting of the North Lafourche Conservation, Levee and Drainage District Board of Commissioners was called to order by Mr. Cory Kief, Board President, at 5:00 PM on Tuesday, July 18, 2017. The meeting was held at the District's office at 3862 Highway 1 in Raceland. Commissioner Darcy Kiffe led the assembly in the Pledge and Commissioner Louis Andolsek offered the Invocation.

Board President Kief called roll. Commissioners present were: Louis Andolsek, Rodney Foret, Cory Kief, Darcy Kiffe, Kenney Matherne, Adley Peltier, Elmo Pitre, Robert Pitre, Shawn Preston, and Joni Tuck. Commissioner Tim Allen arrived at 5:09 PM. Others present were NLLD Executive Director Dwayne Bourgeois; NLLD Project Manager Arthur Ostheimer; NLLD Administrative Assistant Madonna Viguerie; NLLD Field Coordinator Glenn Bourgeois; Attorney Pat Amedee; consultants; various engineering professionals; and members of the public.

Motion was made by R. Foret, seconded by E. Pitre, to approve the minutes as written of the following meetings: June 20, 2017 Finance & Priority Committee and June 20, 2017 Regular Board. No discussion or public comment. Commissioner Allen not present at this time. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion was made by J. Tuck, seconded by K. Matherne, to enter Public Hearing for the purpose of considering the Proposed 2017 Revised Budget. No discussion or public comment.

Commissioner Allen not present at this time. Motion passed unanimously.

Board President Kief stated that the Finance and Priority Committee met before this Board meeting to finish reviewing in detail the proposed 2017 Revised Budget based on the actual year-to-date expenditures and estimates for the remainder of this year and future reserves. The Commissioners and the public were provided with copies of the budget. Board president Kief added that the Committee's recommendation to this board is for adoption as written. The Board will vote on the adoption of the budget immediately following public hearing. Upon three calls, there was no discussion. Upon three calls, there was no public comment.

Motion was made by R. Pitre, seconded by D. Kiffe, to close Public Hearing. No discussion or public comment. Commissioner Allen not present at this time. Motion passed unanimously.

Board President Kief stated that it is the recommendation of the Finance and Priority Committee that the Board adopt the 2017 Revised Budget as provided. Motion was made by E. Pitre, seconded by K. Matherne that the Board adopts the 2017 Revised Budget as provided in writing. On call for discussion, Commissioner Andolsek mentioned that the committee met a few times to look at the numbers and he complimented the staff for putting the numbers together timely on short notice after the committee meetings held yesterday. There was no further discussion and no public comment. Commissioner Allen not present at this time. Motion passed unanimously.

The floor was then turned over to the Director to address regular session items. He first recognized the attendance of Mr. Doug Cheramie from the state Attorney General Jeff Landry's office and Ms. Mary-Elise Schlesinger, Regional Director for Senator John Kennedy's office, and expressed appreciation to their offices.

Commissioner Allen joined the meeting at 5:09 PM.

A. Thibodaux – West Project Area:

South Thibodaux Drainage Project: The Director stated that the intent of this project is to improve drainage in the City with another larger outfall channel. NLLD Project Manager Arthur

Ostheimer reported that construction is moving forward with Byron E. Talbot Contractors, Inc. currently installing the reinforced concrete pipe along Acadia Drive. Leonard Chauvin, from Leonard Chauvin P.E., Inc. reported that the project is going pretty well in spite of the weather. Talbot is about 70% complete with the construction. Mr. Chauvin added that a pay request was submitted from Byron E. Talbot Contractors, Inc. for \$183,291.10. He stated that the pay request is in order and recommended it be paid. Motion was made by L. Andolsek, seconded by A. Peltier to approve payment of a pay request in the amount of \$183,291.10 from Byron E. Talbot Contractor Inc. as recommended by the project engineer. No discussion or public comment. Motion passed unanimously.

Morvant FDA – Channel Improvements: The Director reported that an operator is contracted through Sealevel running the new CAT/MBI buggy for maintenance dredging.

B. Thibodaux - Lockport - Bayou Blue Project Area:

Bayou Blue – Hollywood Backwater Flood Protection Project: The Director stated that this project did not receive a Capital Outlay appropriation and other funding sources would have to be considered.

St. Charles By-Pass Backwater Flood Protection: The Director stated that the District is working with Duplantis Design Group on a project to prevent repeated backwater flooding into this community. He added that the total payment of \$175,500.00 was remitted to Delta Land Services for the mitigation requirement. Project Manager Ostheimer reported DDG and NLLD had reviewed the bidding documents for this project and they are proceeding with advertisement as approved by this board in June 2017. He added that the advertisement will start on July 19, 2017 and bids will be opened on August 14, 2017 with plans to have a recommendation for award at the August 15, 2017 meeting.

Cyprien FDA Channel Improvements: The Director stated that the Cyprien FDA has been having worsening issues in getting storm runoff to the pump station. He added that the project is on hold awaiting information from LPG concerning their plans to refurbish that pump station. Dustin Rabalais, from T. Baker Smith reported that at the last parish council meeting, the contract with TBS was amended due to a scope change. Mr. Rabalais added that things are moving along with the USACE permit in hand for that pump; DNR's permit issuance should be any day; they are halfway on the preliminary design; and they are on track to advertise for construction before year end. Construction period should be similar to the Parr-Larose pump. The Directed suggested that maybe in a month or two TBS would have enough design done to know the elevation of the sump and Leonard Chauvin P.E., Inc. can start working on the ROW's needed to eventually move the district's small buggy there as opportunity presents itself. Mr. Rabalais stated that LPG President Cantrelle wants TBS to handle everything between the trash greens, so TBS can give Mr. Chauvin's office the elevations at those points then they can take off to the east and west.

C. Lockport - Larose Project Area

Lockport – Larose Valentine Return Levee Project: The Director stated that Low Land Construction was awarded the contract and has begun the construction for the levee portion of this project and they have a pay request, while the bid opening for the drainage structure took place yesterday. Project Manager Ostheimer reported that a pre-construction meeting was held on June 22, 2017 at the NLLD office. At that time a Notice to Proceed on the levee portion of this project was issued for July 10, 2017 and Low Land has started on the levee portion of this project and they have a pay request for some mobilization and fencing work. The NLLD accepted bids on July 17, 2017 for the structure portion of this project. Neil Angelette has

reviewed the bids and has a recommendation for the board's consideration. Neil Angelette, from Angelette-Picciola, LLC stated that he was recommending payment of the first pay request from Low Land Construction Co., Inc. in the amount of \$21,552.18 for some mobilization and fencing on the earthen portion of the project. Motion was made by E. Pitre, seconded by K. Matherne to approve payment of a pay request in the amount of \$21,552.18 from Low Land Construction Co., Inc. as recommended by the project engineer. No discussion or public comment. Motion passed unanimously. Mr. Angelette then stated that six (6) bids were received on the drainage structure at the end of the return levee at the 40 Arpent Canal. He added that the bids were reviewed and he recommended awarding to the low bidder, Sealevel Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$1,299,650.00. Motion was made by L. Andolsek, seconded by R. Pitre, that NLLD awards the construction contract to Sealevel Construction, Inc., thus committing \$1,299,650.00 of NLLD's net assets towards NLLD Project No. 6300.56Z and authorizing the NLLD President to sign, execute, and administer a contract and any and all relevant documents. On call for discussion, the Director mentioned that this amount is slightly over the estimate, but the bids were very tight and we feel comfortable with the number. With no further discussion or public comment, the motion passed unanimously.

Lockport – Larose Levee Project, Reaches C4, C5, and D1: The Director stated that steady progress continues in the efforts to proceed with improvements for these parts of the hurricane protection levee. He added that several other aspects, including failures, were discussed at a committee meeting on July 17, 2017 and that will be addressed in the committee report towards the end of this meeting. Project Manager Ostheimer reported that there were ROW's executed for 19 tracts/30 landowners this month and 75 tracts/128 landowners to date and he is scheduling the next round of closings for the end of July or the beginning of August. There are some ROW's that have been mailed out for execution. The end of July is the target date to have a final list of expropriations. The Director suggested that September would possibly be when the bid advertisement would start for this project.

Edna Barrios Pump Consolidation Project: The Director stated that the completion of this pump station is vital to the NLLD as it will allow the removal of the antiquated Barrios Pump Station which interferes with the levee alignment in the area. He added that the pump station is under construction with an estimated completion in September / October and Mr. Neil Angelette, P.E. added that substantial completion will likely be reached by Sealevel Construction in late August or early September.

Lockport to Larose Levee Project "Reaches D2 and D3" Project: The Director stated that Womack & Sons Construction Group is the contractor for the D2 section of the levee between the Private Arceneaux Pump Station going east to Larose Pump Station at GIWW, this Reach was re-sectioned to 7.5', while Picciola & Associates is working on the continuation into Reach D3 in cooperation with CPRA. Project Manager Ostheimer reported that Picciola and Assoc. had submitted plans and specifications for the D3 Reach to CPRA and received comments on June 15, 2017. The Engineer has addressed all of these comments and they are finalizing the bidding documents with advertisement set to begin at the end of July and to accept bids in August with the expectation to have a recommendation for award at the September Board Meeting. Mr. Ostheimer stated that there was a small failure in Reach D2, and Picciola & Associates will elaborate on the geotechnical engineer's assessment, as well as explain a change order and present the request for retainage. Jack Plaisance, from Picciola & Associates, reported that in early July, it was noticed that there was an area along the borrow canal sloughing in towards the ditch and with the rain it had gotten worse. Mr. Plaisance added that Ardaman & Associates

has evaluated it and they are not concerned about the levee stability. It is likely a deep seated failure that goes back to 2010 and it was repaired in 2014. He added that they are monitoring it on a monthly basis and a plan for repairs based on the geotech engineer's recommendation will be recommended after hurricane season. Mr. Plaisance stated that this is not an issue that the contractor is responsible for, and the project is complete and the clear lien certificate has been received. He presented the recommendation to the board to release the retainage to Womack. Mr. Plaisance then explained that the final change order is being submitted as a credit to the district for repairs to be made to State Street at the completion of the D3 extension. He added that State Street was heavily used during the project causing the problems.

Motion was made by T. Allen, seconded by D. Kiffe, to approve the change order for a credit amount of \$5,000.00 as requested by Womack & Sons Construction Group and recommended by the project engineer. No discussion or public comment. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion was made by K. Matherne, seconded by J. Tuck, to approve payment of the pay request for the retainage in the amount of \$38,207.26 from Womack & Sons Construction Group as recommended by the project engineer. On call for discussion, Commissioner Andolsek asked if the failure could be related to the pumping level by the Parish. The Director explained that there was a large tree that fell years ago and it took a tremendous amount of dirt and the ground never completely re-settled. That is likely the underlying cause; however, the pump levels can exasperate it. Mr. Jack Plaisance added that the failure is at the edge of the berm. With no further discussion or public comment, the motion passed unanimously.

Lockport to Larose Reaches A1, A2, and Claudet Return Levee Project: The Director stated that Leonard Chauvin P.E., Inc. is working to finalize the bid documents and necessary ROWs for Reach A2 and the Claudet Return Levee Improvements, while obtaining the information necessary to update the cost estimate for Reach A1 and that was all discussed in the committee meeting. Project Manager Ostheimer reported that NLLD has executed the needed ROW for A2 and Claudet and has also worked out a fixed price for the borrow material on this project to offer as a source that will not have to be hauled in from offsite for all of the contractors bidding. Leonard Chauvin P.E. Inc. is awaiting the final geotechnical information to confirm the design of the Claudet and A2 portion of the project, but the project is still on track to begin advertising in July, accept bids in August, and the recommendation to award at the September board meeting. Mr. Ostheimer added that a push will be made to really move the A1 portion along, now that the budget was amended.

Parr Pump Improvements: The Director reported that Sealevel had completed the installation of the new 48" pump at this station and Sealevel is waiting on the 45 day clear lien period to expire to submit the retainage payment request.

D. Choupic Project Area:

West Choupic Storm Water Protection Project: The Director stated that Leonard Chauvin P.E. Inc. has been working to refine the project design in order to prepare permit drawings and to conduct a pre-application meeting with DNR and USACE. Project Manager Ostheimer reported that Leonard Chauvin P.E. Inc. has tweaked the alignment for this project and submitted a copy for NLLD review before meeting with the USACE to discuss and get their feedback/guidance for moving forward with a permit for the project. A committee meeting can be expected after receiving feedback from the USACE.

Existing Choupic Levee Status: The Director stated that Commissioner Peltier thought it would be helpful to discuss a few issues concerning existing Parish levees in the Choupic area with

Lafourche Parish Government. Jack Plaisance with Picciola & Associates is working to schedule a meeting with all involved in an attempt to keep things moving forward.

E. St. James Project Area:

The Director reported that things are being developed in this project area, but he had nothing to report at this time.

F. Lake Bouef Watershed Project Area:

Lake Bouef Watershed, Backwater Flood Protection Project: The Director stated that Leonard Chauvin, P.E. Inc. has been working on the first alignment from Theriot Canal to Oak Grove Plantation in hopes of establishing a permit templet to improve drainage and the protection from backwater flooding to eventually go to the committee. Leonard Chauvin, from Leonard Chauvin, P.E., Inc. reported that his office had reviewed the preliminary plans with the NLLD staff last month and he is expecting meetings with the landowners, but those are not yet setup.

Bayou Bouef School Forced Drainage Project: The Director stated that this project did not receive a Capital Outlay appropriation.

Zeller/Larousse Forced Drainage Area Systems Improvement: The Director reminded the Board that the District has a \$1M pledge from CPRA to work on Phase 1A of this project (Clearing encroachments and dredging reservoir canal) and the details are being worked out with CPRA. He added that the bid opening was conducted on Friday, July 14, 2017. Project Manager Ostheimer reported that a pre-bid meeting was held on July 5, 2017 at the office of Leonard Chauvin P.E., Inc. and the NLLD accepted bids on this project on July 14, 2017. Leonard Chauvin P.E. Inc. has reviewed the bids and has a recommendation for the board's consideration. Mr. Chauvin reported that there were eight (8) bidders on this project with a \$1.2M budget. The bids were setup with a base and two (2) alternates, and the acceptable bid is within the budget for all of the alternates. Mr. Chauvin elaborated that the low bidder was Southern Delta at \$744,555.75; however, they had an error and they pulled their bid. The second low bid was Sealevel at \$1,014,875.65 and it is below the estimated budget. The high bid was from Circle at \$1,846,415. Mr. Chauvin stated that the bid results were submitted to CPRA for approval and he recommended to the board to award to Sealevel with concurrence from CPRA.

Motion was made by R. Pitre, seconded by E. Pitre, that NLLD awards the construction contract to Sealevel Construction, Inc., thus committing \$1,014,875.65 of NLLD's net assets towards NLLD Project No. 6600.64Z and authorizing the NLLD President to sign, execute, and administer a contract and any and all relevant documents. No discussion or public comment. Motion passed unanimously.

40 and 80 Arpent and Halpins Canal Maintenance Dredging Project, East Theriot Canal Maintenance Dredging Project, and Sam Foret and adjacent Canals Maintenance Dredging: The Director reported that Leonard Chauvin, P.E. Inc. has been working on permit drawings and an application. Project Manager Ostheimer reported that Leonard Chauvin, P.E., Inc. submitted the permit application in June and the permit is proceeding through the process. Some additional information was requested on the permit application regarding the width of the canals in which Leonard Chauvin P.E., Inc. gathered the information and responded to keep the process moving forward.

G. Gheens Project Area:

Mathews Canal Project: The Director reported that the bid opening was conducted last Thursday, July 13, 2017. Project Manager Ostheimer reported the pre-bid meeting was held of June 28, 2017 and the NLLD accepted bids on this project on July 13, 2017. J. Wayne Plaisance, Inc. has reviewed the bids and has a recommendation for the board's consideration.

John Plaisance, from J. Wayne Plaisance, Inc., reported that five (5) bids were received and the low bidder was Low Land Construction Co., Inc. at \$970,059. Mr. Plaisance added that the construction estimate was \$1.3M and he recommended awarding to the low bidder, Low Land. Motion was made by E. Pitre, seconded by A. Peltier, that NLLD awards the construction contract to Low Land Construction Co., Inc., thus committing \$970,059.00 of NLLD's net assets towards NLLD Project No. 6700.52Z and authorizing the NLLD President to sign, execute, and administer a contract and any and all relevant documents. No discussion or public comment. Motion passed unanimously.

Des Allemands Bulkhead Project: The Director reported that there are two elements of this project and both of them are in the Bond Sale funding and both are being advanced. Element 1, includes the levee and channel improvements and All South Consulting Engineers (ASCE) is working to complete the final design, probable estimate of cost, and prepare the bid documents. Element 2 is for pump improvements and ASCE is working on the preliminary design and preliminary estimate of cost. He added that possible phasing of the projects for funding was discussed at a committee meeting on July 17, 2017. Project Manager Ostheimer reported that NLLD met with a landowner regarding a necessary ROW for the project in June and work is ongoing to finalize the agreement that is regarding a tight space. ASCE is working on the preliminary plans for the project and they have also started working on the pump station upgrade portion of the project.

Des Allemands Breakwater Project: The Director stated that this project is not currently in a funding plan and he plans to meet with the LA DOTD to see if there is any other funding mechanism (outside of Statewide Flood Control) that might be used for this issue with potential impact to US90.

Jesse Dufrene FDA Levee Improvements: The Director stated that as previously reported Raceland Raw Sugars has some available land that has been tested for possible borrow material. Project Manager Ostheimer reported that All South Consulting Engineers received the geotechnical report from the two potential borrow areas. He added that overall the land was found to be suitable (not ideal) for borrow material and they are currently reviewing the information, along with considering plans for additional geotech analysis along the levee alignment so they can determine a scope and budget. The Director stated that this project was discussed at the committee level and the intent is to continue working on Jesse Dufrene to possibly position it as betterment for the post authorization change report. He added that the material is suitable enough to use it by blending.

Upper Barataria Basin Risk Reduction (UBRR) Project: The Director stated that this non-federal project has made it onto the State's Draft Master Plan for 2017 and it will be on future agendas of the district for updates as appropriate.

H. Valentine - East Project Area:

New Valentine/Ludevine Forced Drainage Area: The Director stated that this is the levee running from Hamilton Street in Larose about 5,500 feet towards the Ludevine Pump Station along the Blackwater Canal. The District is working through a permit issue presented by the Corps and after meeting with the Corps, they will be changing their requirements. This issue was discussed at a committee meeting on July 17, 2017.

I. Regional/Other Capital Projects:

Morganza to the Gulf in Lafourche Parish: The Director reported that the District is working in cooperation with SLLD, using the CAT/Wilco buggy to build retainage dikes as part of the mitigation work for Reaches K&L of the Morganza to the Gulf Project in Lafourche Parish, and a

second marsh buggy and operator have been added to assist in this. The second machine and both operators are contracted through Dean Equipment and NLLD is being reimbursed for the operational cost on this effort.

Morganza to the Gulf, Larose to Lockport Alignment: The Director stated that he and Project Manager Ostheimer met with Delta Coast Consultants (DCC) earlier in the month for a review of their preliminary report. He added that DCC also presented the report at the Morganza to the Gulf/UBBRR committee meeting conducted on July 17, 2017.

Commissioner Tim Allen commented that the NLLD Director had discussed the changes with the cultural resources requirement by the USACE during the committee meeting yesterday.

Commissioner Allen shared an experience he had at the USACE's office today where Dwayne Bourgeois' name was mentioned as moderating that situation and advising them on this dilemma. Dwayne has a good creditable reputation there and that reflects on NLLD.

J. Equipment: The Director stated that work continues on the series of equipment recommendations that were approved by the Board. As reported last month in regards to the Liebherr Dragline, a recommendation for sale is expected at the board meeting to be held on Tuesday, September 19, 2017. The notices and postings are in place and were distributed for bids to be accepted until 2:00 PM on Friday, September 15, 2017. The Director went on to report that the notice for the Volvo buggy is in the works to begin the process of advertising for bids directly for this machine.

The NLLD Field Coordinator reported that issues this past month included:

Liebherr dragline – Lafourche Parish Government handled some repairs to prepare the machine for an inspection by an interested party of the surplus sale. The repairs included: replacing a busted hydraulic hose, replacing the battery, and making repairs on wiring that was damaged by rodents. Thanks to the assistance by the Parish, the dragline was demonstrated for the interested party.

CAT/Wilco buggy – a hose was repaired and the operator from Dean Equipment is adjusting to handling this machine after throwing a track.

CAT/MBI buggy - Marsh Buggies Inc. performed warranty worked to replace broken bolts on the pontoon and they adjusted the tracking motors. Also the first 500 hour preventative maintenance was performed.

K. General Items

Photo Presentation: The Director presented photos taken by Glenn B., NLLD Field Coordinator, of the following work: Failures at Lockport to Larose Reaches C5 and D1; Morvant pump channel in Thibodaux; Morganza to the Gulf Reaches K&L with Dean Equipment.

Board President Kief mentioned that there is still some complaining about the breakdowns of the CAT/Wilco buggy. The field coordinator suggested that the saltwater is taking a toll on the machine as previously suggested by Commissioner Kiffe, but also the machine is up in age and it has over 9,000 hours of operation.

Bank Accounts for the Sales Tax Bonds, Series 2017: The Director stated that this item was brought up at last month's board meeting where it was delegated to the Finance & Priority Committee for consideration. The committee discussed it during their meeting earlier this evening and committee chairman Kenney Matherne offered the recommendation.

Motion was made by E. Pitre, seconded by J. Tuck authorizing the following roles with the NLLD as designated signatures for the district's bank accounts: Executive Director, members of the Executive Committee, and members of the Finance & Priority Committee, as recommended by

the Finance & Priority Committee. No discussion or public comment. Motion passed unanimously.

Other Meetings this Month: The Director stated in addition to the regular monthly meeting circuit and those previously discussed, he participated in the following meetings:

June 22, 2017 - Lafourche Parish School Board Exec & Oversight Committee Meetings

June 23, 2017 - Lori LeBlanc, LLC and Resource Environmental Services with the three local districts to discuss potential mitigation strategies for the three districts.

June 27, 2017 – Terrebonne Coastal Day where demonstrations were available for public view of the levee districts' equipment and work.

July 11, 2017 – Meeting with the USACE on the Historic Preservation Act.

July 11, 2017 – Meeting with the USACE and oversight agencies on the Programmatic General Permit Category III. Regarding the PGP Cat III, the Director explained that this would be a permit agreement between the USACE and DNR of the state that only applies to permits within Louisiana's coastal zone. The NLLD is entirely within Louisiana's coastal zone. The Corps currently has exclusions of whom and how the PGP could be used. Currently, a Cat I can apply when a very small impact (less than 3/10 of an acre) is involved, and a Cat II could apply up to 3 acres, but there are limitations. DNR is supporting the Cat III and it would apply to any levee district. The proposed Cat III method would apply when working along a current alignment, when after a pre-review process through the Department of Natural Resources and the funding for a project is there, a levee district could get a permit in two (2) months instead of two (2) years.

July 12, 2017 – Trip to DC regarding the NFIP.

July 13, 2017 – Restore or Retreat/Greater Lafourche Port Presentation on NFIP to staffers of Louisiana DC delegation. Commissioner Joni Tuck was present for the presentation and she expressed appreciation to the Director for his great presentation that has since generated a lot of interest in NFIP. Ms. Tuck added that Dwayne Bourgeois is a class act and he represents the district well.

Committee Reports:

Finance & Priority Committee: Chairman K. Matherne reported that the F&P Committee met on June 20, 2017. 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, as well as started to review the revised budget. The committee met earlier this evening to finish the committee review of the revised budget that was recommended and approved by the full board at the start of this board meeting, as well as discuss and formulate some guidelines for signature authority on the district's bank accounts that was also approved by the full board.

Lockport to Larose/Valentine East/Gheens Committee: Chairman L. Andolsek reported that the Lockport to Larose/Valentine East/Gheens committee met on July 17, 2017, the day before this board meeting. Discussion during that committee meeting included issues with the Lockport to Larose Hurricane Protection Levee Project, Reaches C4, C5, and D1. Project Manager Ostheimer updated us on the status of the ROW acquisitions and we were presented with a request for a landowner side agreement in exchange for the ROW donation from Donald and Johnny Adams. We were also presented with information regarding new and worsening failures of which some occurred from the recent tropical event in Reaches C5 and D1. The committee is prepared to make recommendations on these last two items and I'll ask that we deviate from the agenda for your consideration of these issues.

Motion was made by T. Allen, seconded by D. Kiffe to deviate from the agenda. No discussion or public comment. Motion passed unanimously.

Committee Chairman Andolsek asked that the board consider approving a side agreement for Tract 9 in the names of Donald and Johnny Adams with all proposed work, related documents, and necessary temporary ROW's to be approved by counsel prior to such being implemented.

Motion was made by R. Pitre, seconded by T. Allen to accept the recommendation as just stated regarding Tract 9 in the names of Donald and Johnny Adams. On call for discussion, Andolsek stated that the agreement is related to the levee effecting some improvements on the landowner's property. The landowner will be donating the ROW. The NLLD staff provided the committee with pricing to keep the landowner whole by relocating the improvements being effected. With no further discussion or public comment, the motion passed unanimously, with Commissioner Kiffe abstaining.

Committee Chairman Andolsek then asked that the board consider authorizing an Emergency Declaration to fix the failed areas in Reaches C5 and D1 of the Lockport to Larose Hurricane Protection Project. Motion was made by R. Foret, seconded by R. Pitre to accept the recommendation as just stated regarding the need for an Emergency Declaration in Reaches C5 and D1 of the Lockport to Larose Hurricane Protection Levee. On call for discussion, Andolsek reminded the commissioners of the photos of the failures presented earlier in the meeting. He stated that the committee had been presented with the findings of the worsening failures and the committee agreed that it was imperative that the District move forward with these repairs and not wait for the entire project to be bid. Under an Emergency Declaration, the NLLD staff will proceed to have the repairs made as soon as possible since it is currently hurricane season. Board President Kief explained that although there is a plan in place for a permanent fix, there is no time to wait for these repairs.

With no further discussion or public comment, the motion passed unanimously, with Commissioner Kiffe abstaining.

Motion was made by R. Pitre, seconded by J. Tuck to return to the regular agenda. No discussion or public comment. Motion passed unanimously. Committee Chairman Andolsek continued with the report, stating that Leonard Chauvin reported on the Lockport to Larose A1, A2, and Claudet Levee Lifts and explained that the limited work area for the Lockport to Larose A1 project prompted the need to use sheet piling resulting in a higher estimated cost, and because of budget purposes, A1 was separated from A2 and Claudet. Also discussed were the Des Allemands Bulkhead project and the possible need to phase out the work in this area. The Director provided an update on the USACE's requirement for the New Valentine/Ludevine Force Drainage Area project, reporting that the Corps agreed to modify the letter bringing the requirement down to a recon survey as related to that development.

Morganza to the Gulf and UBBRR Hurricane Protection Levees Committee: Chairman E. Pitre reported that the MtoG/UBBRR committee met on July 17, 2017, the day before this board meeting. During the meeting, Mitch Marmande with Delta Coast Consultants LLC provided a presentation, followed by a question and answer session on his preliminary report. He promised more reports within the next couple of weeks and another committee meeting will be scheduled for that review.

Accounts Payable: Motion was made by K. Matherne, seconded by J. Tuck, to accept the Payables Report as reviewed by the Finance and Priority Committee in a meeting just prior to this Board meeting. No discussion or public comment. Motion passed unanimously.

The Board President called for any other engineering reports; there were none.

The Board President then called for Public Comments.

The Board President announced the next Regular Monthly Board Meeting will be at 5:15 PM, or immediately following the F&P committee meeting, on Tuesday, August 15, 2017 at the District's office located at 3862 Highway 1, Raceland, LA.

Attorney Pat Amedee informed the board that there were no updates on the pending litigation of Cecil Gassiott, LLC Vs NLCLDD; therefore Executive Session would not be needed for Agenda item 11a.

The meeting was unanimously adjourned at 6:14 PM on motion by R. Pitre, with a second by R. Foret.

Cory Kief, President

Dwayne Bourgeois, Director