

Minutes of the Public Hearing and Regular Monthly Board meeting of the North Lafourche Conservation, Levee & Drainage District, February 18, 2025

Regular Meeting: The Regular Monthly meeting of the North Lafourche Conservation, Levee and Drainage District Board of Commissioners was called to order on Tuesday, February 18, 2025, by President Cory Kief at 5:21 pm. The meeting was held at the District's office at 3862 Highway 1 in Raceland. President Cory Kief called roll. Commissioners present were Cory Kief, Tim Allen, Rodney Foret, Tory Hebert, Adley Peltier, Darcy Kiffe, and Louis Andolsek. Robert Pitre, Elmo Pitre, Monique Crochet, and Percy Gasery were absent. Others present were NLLD Executive Director Dwayne Bourgeois, NLLD Project/Program Manager Arthur Ostheimer, NLLD Accounting Specialist Kayla Culpepper, Project/Accounting Assistant Brandy Theriot, NLLD Executive Assistant Katie DeRoche, Field Coordinator Travis Colombel, NLLD Attorney Patrick Amedee, members of the public, and various engineering professionals.

Approval of Minutes: L. Andolsek motioned, seconded by R. Foret to approve the minutes of Tuesday, January 28, 2025 Finance & Priority Committee meeting and the Regular Board meeting. No discussion or public comment. Motion passed unanimously.

D. Bourgeois stated starting at this meeting, the NLLD will have a presentation of all projects during the meetings, as was requested by the NLLD board members.

A. Thibodaux – West Project Area: Report given

B. Thibodaux - Lockport - Bayou Blue Project Area:

Drainage District 12 Prairie Levee Improvements: D. Bourgeois and A. Ostheimer gave an updated report on this project. A. Peltier motioned, seconded by T. Allen to approve Change Order No. 5 to decrease the contract amount by \$499,164.99 to reflect the balancing of the contract quantities as requested by Onshore Materials, LLC and recommended by the project engineer. No discussion or public comment. Motion passed unanimously. R. Foret motioned, seconded by T. Hebert to approve payment of Pay Request No. 10 in the amount of \$157,015.35 from Onshore Materials, LLC as recommended by the project engineer. No discussion or public comment. Motion passed unanimously. L. Andolsek motioned, seconded by D. Kiffe to approve payment of Pay Request No. 11 in the amount of \$215,890.70 from Onshore Materials, LLC for retainage as recommended by the project engineer. No discussion or public comment. Motion passed unanimously.

Upper Bayou Folse Watershed Backwater Flood Protection: Report given.

C. Lockport - Larose Project Area:

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: D. Bourgeois and A. Ostheimer gave an updated report on this project. A. Peltier motioned, seconded by T. Allen to approve Change Order No. 2 to decrease the contract amount by \$58,379.72 to reflect the balancing of the contract quantities as requested by Norris and Boudreaux Contractors, LLC and recommended by the project engineer. No discussion or public comment. Motion passed unanimously. D. Kiffe motioned, seconded by L. Andolsek to approve payment of Pay Request No. 5 in the amount of \$38,323.93 from Norris and Boudreaux Contractors, LLC as recommended by the project engineer. No discussion or public comment. Motion passed unanimously.

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 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: D. Bourgeois and A. Ostheimer gave an updated report on this project. T. Hebert motioned, seconded by D. Kiffe to allow the immediate purchase and acquisition of servitudes and rights of way on property within the Morganza to the Gulf Reach 2 Channel Improvements project area which are subject to an existing mortgage, without the necessity of acquiring a release or subordination of the mortgage prior to acquisition, where such cost of acquisition is less than \$20,000.00. No discussion or public comment. Motion passed unanimously.

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

Ludevine Pump Station Replacement: D. Bourgeois and A. Ostheimer gave an updated report on this project. T. Allen motioned, seconded by L. Andolsek to approve payment of Pay Request No. 7 in the amount of \$514,379.83 from Sealevel Construction, Inc. as recommended by the project engineer. No discussion or public comment. Motion passed unanimously.

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 (General): Report given.

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

K. General Items:

Additional Photos (Presentation): There were no additional photos to present.

NLLD Joined Lawsuit against FEMA on RR2.0: update given.

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 Chairman Louis Andolsek reported that the Finance and Priority Committee conducted a meeting on January 28, 2025 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: L. Andolsek 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 president stated the next Regular Monthly Board Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 18, 2025, following the Finance and Priority Meeting at 5:15 pm that same day at this office located at 3862 Highway 1 in Raceland.

The meeting was unanimously adjourned at 6:34 PM on motion by R. Foret, seconded by D. Kiffe.

/s/Cory Kief, President

/s/Dwayne Bourgeois, Executive Director