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**Minutes of the Regular Monthly Board meeting of the North Lafourche Conservation, Levee & Drainage District, June 16, 2026**

**Public Hearing:** a public hearing of the North Lafourche Conservation, Levee and Drainage District Board of Commissioners was held to consider the 2025 revised budget on Tuesday, June 16, 2025, by President Cory Kief at 5:30 pm. The pledge was led by Rodney Foret and the invocation given by Darcy Kiffe. The public hearing was held at the District's office at 3862 Highway 1 in Raceland. President Kief called roll. Commissioners present were Cory Kief, Rodney Foret, Robert Pitre, Elmo Pitre, Tory Hebert, Darcy Kiffe, and Perry Falcon. Commissioners Adley Peltier, Alfred Carter, Timothy Allen were absent. Others present were: NLLD Executive Director Dwayne Bourgeois, NLLD Executive Assistant Katie Charpentier, Program/Project Manager Arthur Ostheimer, NLLD Field Coordinator Travis Colombel, Project/Accounting Assistant Brandy Theriot, Accounting Specialist Kayla Pierce, and various engineering professionals. C. Kief opened the public hearing which was held to consider comments from the public concerning a decision to be made by the Board at NLLD's following meeting for consideration of NLLD millage rates to remain the same as were adopted in 2024 as follows: Constitutional millage rate for 2025 at 5 mills and the Voter approved millage for 2025 at 5.580 mills or to increase the Voter approved millage rate by rolling forward with the approved adjusted millage rate after reassessment not to exceed the maximum authorized by law. Upon three calls for public comment, there were no public comments or discussion. R. Pitre motioned, seconded by D. Kiffe to close the public hearing. No discussion or public comment. Motion passed unanimously.

**Regular Meeting:** The regular monthly meeting of the North Lafourche Conservation, Levee and Drainage District Board of Commissioners was called to order on Tuesday, June 16, 2026, by President Cory Kief at 5:32 pm. The meeting was held at the District's office at 3862 Highway 1 in Raceland. The pledge and invocation were omitted since they were conducted in the public hearing before the board meeting. President Kief called roll. Commissioners present were Cory Kief, Rodney Foret, Robert Pitre, Elmo Pitre, Tory Hebert, Darcy Kiffe, and Perry Falcon. Commissioners Adley Peltier, Alfred Carter, Timothy Allen were absent. Others present were: NLLD Executive Director Dwayne Bourgeois, NLLD Executive Assistant Katie Charpentier, Program/Project Manager Arthur Ostheimer, NLLD Field Coordinator Travis Colombel, Project/Accounting Assistant Brandy Theriot, Accounting Specialist Kayla Pierce, and various engineering professionals.

Approval of Minutes: D. Kiffe motioned, seconded by T. Hebert to approve the Finance & Priority Committee meeting and the Regular Board meeting minutes of Tuesday, May 21, 2026. No discussion or public comment. Motion passed unanimously.

Millage Rates: C. Kief motioned, seconded by R. Pitre that all votes for each motion on the millage rates be postponed until next board meeting. Upon three calls for discussion by the public, hearing none, and a call for any discussion by the Board, and hearing none, the motion to postpone the following motions passed unanimously. The motions postponed are as follows: first postponed motion where no vote was taken, was to approve the constitutional – ad valorem millage rate to remain the same as was adopted in 2024 and 2025 at 5 mills. The second postponed motion where no vote was taken, was to approve the voter approved – construction millage rate the same as was adopted in 2024 and 2025 at 5.580 mills. The third postponed motion where no vote was taken, was to approve tolling forward the voter approved – construction millage to 6 mills not exceeding the maximum authorized rate(s).

**A. Thibodaux – West Project Area:** D. Bourgeois and A. Ostheimer gave an update on this project area. P. Falcon motioned, seconded by T. Hebert to enter a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement between the City of Thibodaux, The Lafourche Parish Government, the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government and the North Lafourche Levee District for the annual drainage maintenance of the St Louis Bayou / Canal and authorizing the NLCLDD Board President to sign any and all related documents upon final legal counsel concurrence. No discussion or public comment. Motion passed unanimously.

**B. Thibodaux - Lockport - Bayou Blue Project Area:**

Drainage District 12 Prairie Levee Improvements: Report given.

COT-Peltier Park Drainage Improvements: Report given

Upper Bayou Folse Watershed Backwater Flood Protection: Report given.

**C. Lockport - Larose Project Area:**

Lockport to Larose Reach B: D. Bourgeois and A. Ostheimer gave an update on this project area. E. Pitre motioned, seconded by P. Falcon to consider the resolution (as written) for authorization of expropriation action for the tract of land stated within the Lockport to Larose Reach B3 Levee Improvements Hurricane Protection Project. With no further discussion or public comment. Motion passed unanimously. T. Hebert motioned, seconded by P. Falcon to consider the resolution (as written) for authorization of expropriation action for the tract of land stated within the Lockport to Larose Reach B3 Levee Improvements Hurricane Protection Project. With no further discussion or public comment. Motion passed unanimously.

Lockport to Larose Reach D5 Levee Improvements: D. Bourgeois and A. Ostheimer gave an update on this project. E. Pitre motioned, seconded by T. Hebert that it is the determination of the Board that the purchase of the proposed approximately 0.23 Acre tract of land with a municipal address of 295 Ledet Lane, Larose, LA 70374 with improvements, would have economic benefits to the Lockport to Larose Reach D5 Levee Project if acquired at the lesser of \$155,000.00 or the actual fair market value of the tract. Further, allowing the NLLD President to sign any and all documents related to this purchase as authorized by this Board. With no further discussion or public comment. Motion passed unanimously.

**D. Choupic Project Area:**

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

Coulon Canal Clearing: Report given.

**E. St. James Project Area:**

Rienzi Outfall Improvements: Report given.

Woodland Heights Levee: D. Bourgeois and A. Ostheimer gave an updated report on this project. D. Kiffe motioned, seconded by P. Falcon to approve Change Order No. 1 to increase the contract time by 7 days for adverse weather in the month of May, as requested by Low Land Construction Co., Inc. and recommended by the project engineer. No discussion or public comment. Motion passed unanimously. T. Hebert motioned, seconded by P. Falcon to approve payment of Pay Request No. 1 in the amount of \$50,730.00 from Low Land Construction Co., Inc. as recommended by the project engineer. No discussion or public comment. Motion passed unanimously.

**F. Lake Bouef Watershed Project Area:**

Zeller/Larousse Forced Drainage Area Systems Improvements: D. Bourgeois and A. Ostheimer gave an updated report on this project. R. Pitre motioned, seconded by R. Foret to approve payment of Pay Request No. 3 in the amount of \$971,245.97 from Onshore Materials, LLC as recommended by the project engineer. No discussion or public comment. Motion passed unanimously.

**G. Gheens Project Area:**

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

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

UBRR to MtoG Connector: Report given.

Jesse Dufrene/Homeplace FDA Phase II Levee Improvements: Report given.

**H. Valentine - East Project Area:**

Old/New Valentine Pump Consolidation: Report given.

Industrial Park Road North American Shipyard to Bayou Lafourche: D. Bourgeois and A. Ostheimer gave an updated report on this project. E. Pitre motioned, seconded by D. Kiffe that NLLD awards the construction contract to Otwell Services LLC, thus committing \$1,199,361.50 of NLLD's net assets towards NLLD Project No. 6800.60Z 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.

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 P. Falcon to allow the NLLD to enter into a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with BP America Production Company to enable the cutting and capping of the wellhead in the alignment of the Morganza to the Gulf Reach 2 Channel Improvements Project and allow the Executive Director to execute any and all related documentation upon legal concurrence. No discussion or public comment. Motion passed unanimously. P. Falcon motioned, seconded by R. Pitre to approve Change Order No. 3 to increase the contract amount by \$142,645.00 for additional contract quantities due to unforeseen site conditions and to increase the contract time by 20 days, including 11 days for additional work and 9 days for adverse weather in May, as requested by Sealevel Construction, Inc. and recommended by the project engineer. No discussion or public comment. Motion passed unanimously. R. Foret motioned, seconded by D. Kiffe to approve payment of Pay Request No. 6 in the amount of \$176,351.11 from Sealevel Construction, Inc. as recommended by the project engineer. No discussion or public comment. Motion passed unanimously.

Morganza to the Gulf Eastern Tie-in, Reach 3 Interim Improvements: D. Bourgeois and A. Ostheimer gave an updated report on this project. D. Kiffe motioned, seconded by E. Pitre to approve Change Order No. 4 to increase the contract amount by \$34,991.50 for additional excavation and embankment quantity and to increase the contract time by 29 days for adverse weather in April and May, as requested by Onshore Materials, LLC and recommended by the project engineer. No discussion or public comment. Motion passed unanimously. R. Pitre motioned, seconded by T. Hebert to approve payment of Pay Request No. 8 in the amount of \$137,501.96 from Onshore Materials, LLC as recommended by the project engineer. Motion passed unanimously.

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

Morganza to the Gulf (General): Report given.

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

**K. General Items:**

Additional Photos (Presentation): All photos were presented earlier in the meeting.

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 Vice Chairman Elmo Pitre reported that the Finance and Priority Committee conducted a meeting on May 19, 2026 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 T. Hebert 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 on Tuesday, July 21, 2026, following the Public Hearing at 5:30 pm with a Finance and Priority Meeting at 5:15 pm that same day at this office located at 3862 Highway 1 in Raceland. There will also be a Legal and Development meeting that same day (time to be determined). The meeting was unanimously adjourned at 7:34 pm on motion by R. Pitre, seconded by E. Pitre.

Cory Kief, President: \_\_\_\_\_

Dwayne Bourgeois, Executive Director: \_\_\_\_\_

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