

OFFICIAL PROCEEDING
OF
SOUTH LAFOURCHE LEVEE DISTRICT
JULY 8, 2019

The Board of Commissioners of the South Lafourche Levee District met in a regular session at its regular meeting place, 17904 Highway 3235, Galliano, Louisiana, on Monday, July 8, 2019 at three (3:00) o'clock p.m., pursuant to the provisions of a notice of regular session duly promulgated and posted in accordance with the law.

The regular meeting for the month of July was called to order by President Ronald Callais. Commissioner Keith Guidry led the Pledge of Allegiance.

President Callais directed the secretary to call roll.

Board members present: Ronald Callais
 Roland Guidry
 Bob Faulk
 Mc Neely Rome
 Roland Curole
 Keith Guidry

Board members absent: Monty Vegas
 Mitch Danos
 Clarence "CJ" Marts, Jr.

Also present were: Executive Secretary and General Manager Windell Curole; Administrative Assistant 6 Mary Punch; Administrative Assistant 3 Amy Gisclair; Levee Board Operations Superintendent Drake Baudoin; Engineering Personnel Joe Picciola, Marc Picciola, Sandy Guidry, Ray Mayet, Stevie Smith, and Laura Barnes; CPRA Daniel Dearmond; Wood. Karishma Desai; and news media.

READING OF THE MINUTES

The minutes of the June 8, 2019 Regular Meeting were approved unanimously upon a motion by Keith Guidry and seconded by Roland Curole.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Callais stated he had nothing to report.

AUDIENCE COMMENTS

There were no comments from the audience.

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

SLIDE PRESENTATION

General Manager Windell Curole presented slides of the annual barrier exercise on Hwy 3235 in Larose and explained that the barrier would add several feet of flood protection when in use. He showed a slide of the C-North pipeline wall and explained that the original wall was at an 8 ft elevation, but the added sheetpile raised the floodwall protection elevation to 13 ft. The next few slides were of construction in C-South area. He explained that the contractor was taking dirt from the canal and placing it on the side to be used later for levee lifts. The next project was at the Larose floodgate where the contractor has reduced a section of the levee from 13 ft. to 8 ft. for the purpose of being able to place his equipment there while constructing the A-Frame wall project. Mr. Curole explained that if a strong storm occurred before the levee was rebuilt, Hesco Baskets would be used to return the levee to its original height of 13 ft. LA 1 Hwy Realignment progress photos followed next in the presentation. Mr. Curole explained the construction that had taken place and what would come next.

Mr. Curole explained that the exhaust system was being re-routed to make room for the installation of the new overhead crane at Pump Station No. 4. He further explained the benefits and added safety of

the new crane. Mr. Curole showed plastic sheet piles around the levee at Yankee Canal and explained that it was working well in stopping erosion of the levee toe.

Final slides showing the Morganza mitigation levee project closed out the presentation. Mr. Curole added that bids had been placed on the project and the results would be discussed later in the meeting.

HURRICANE SEASON PREPARATIONS

Mr. Curole stated that all gates were tested in preparation for hurricane season. Elevation gaps in the system would be raised with Hesco Baskets in storm preparations.

LA 1 SWING GATE, GOLDEN MEADOW

Mr. Curole stated that the swing gate was shown and discussed during the slide presentation.

D-SOUTH RIGHT OF WAY

Mr. Curole explained that there was a low area just north of the Yankee Canal that needed to be raised. ConocoPhillips owned the property along the drainage canal where SLLD would like to dredge material. The material from the canal would then be used to fill in the low area. He stated that they were close to an agreement with ConocoPhillips, and once an agreement was reached, we would advertise that project for bid.

E-NORTH RIGHT OF WAY

Mr. Curole stated that the Levee District was trying to get agreement with Clovelly to take material from their drainage canal for use in low areas of the E-North levee to raise from a 12 ft to a 14 ft elevation.

CPRA INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT – GRAND BAYOU FLOODGATE

Mr. Curole stated that the board's attorney had looked at the CPRA's IGA for the Grand Bayou Floodgate and said that it was a standard agreement. Mr. Curole recommended the board authorize the president to sign the agreement with the concurrence of the board attorney.

Moved by McNeely Rome and seconded by Roland Guidry, the board authorized the president to sign, with concurrence of Board Attorney, the CPRA Intergovernmental Agreement for the construction of the Grand Bayou Floodgate.

COOPERATIVE ENDEAVOR AGREEMENT WITH NLLD, TLCD AND SLLD – MORGANZA PROJECT

Mr. Curole explained that the CEA with NLLD, TLCD and SLLD went along with the CPRA Intergovernmental Agreement, and recommended the board authorize the president to sign, based on concurrence with the board's attorney.

Moved by McNeely Rome and seconded by Roland Guidry, the board authorized the president to sign upon concurrence of Board Attorney, the Cooperative Endeavor Agreement between North Lafourche Levee, Terrebonne Levee and South Lafourche Levee Districts for the Morganza to the Gulf project.

THREE NEW TRUCKS

Mr. Curole stated that the Levee District had ordered three new trucks on State Contract in February, and that they had all arrived.

UPDATE ON PUMPING STATIONS

Mr. Curole stated that there were three pumps left to repair and that they would be repaired soon.

BAYOU LAFOURCHE WATER LEVEL CONTROL PERMIT

Mr. Curole stated that after 10 years, we finally received the DNR permit for the Bayou Lafourche Water Level Project. He added that DNR had wanted us to mitigate, but that everything had already been mitigated in the early stages of the hurricane levee project. He stated that we now had 5 years to build the project and that it would be added to the priority list.

REACH K MARSH MITIGATION – APPROVAL TO AWARD PROJECT

Mr. Curole requested ASCE Stevie Smith to explain the project. Mr. Smith gave the results of the June 18, 2018 bid opening and stated that Coastal Dredging, Inc. had offered the lowest bid in the amount of \$1,850,000. He recommended the board award the project as bid.

Moved by Roland Curole, seconded by Bob Faulk and unanimously accepted, the board agreed to award the Reach K Marsh Mitigation Project to the low bidder, Coastal Dredging, Inc., at their bid price of \$1,850,000.

UPDATED EMERGENCY OPERATIONS PROCEDURES MANUAL

Mr. Curole presented the updated Emergency Operations Procedures manual to the board and reported that there were a few changes made.

APPROVAL TO PURCHASE PARTS FOR TWO SPARE ENGINES

Mr. Curole informed the board that the Levee District's two spare V-16 engines were in need of repairs. He stated that quotes had been received and requested the board authorize spending up to \$60,000 to repair both engines.

Moved by Bob Faulk and seconded by Keith Guidry, the board unanimously agreed to authorize spending up to \$60,000 to repair the Levee District's two spare V-16 engines.

ENGINEERING REPORT

OFFICE OF COASTAL PROTECTION AND RESTORATION

Mr. Daniel Dearmond reported that Phylway Construction was the contractor on the Reach L project on Apache's property, and that they had made good progress. The embankment portion of the project would be complete by the end of July. The remainder of the project should be complete in September.

CORPS OF ENGINEERS

There was no one in attendance from the Corps.

PROJECT ENGINEERS

PICCIOLA & ASSOCIATES

Engineer Joe Picciola gave the following report:

- **LA 1 Highway Realignment and Floodwall at Levee Crossing, Golden Meadow, LA**

Byron E. Talbot Contractor, Inc. is the contractor. They have continued forming and pouring concrete. Gate fabrication is expected to be complete by the end of July. Fitting of the gate and roadway tie-in will be in August.

- Pay Request No. 6 in the amount of \$373,470.38

Moved by McNeely Rome, seconded by Roland Curole and unanimously accepted, the board approved Pay Request No. 6 in the amount of \$373,470.38.

- **Interim Improvements – Section E-South Excavation Along Borrow Canal**

Southern Delta Construction, L.L.C. is the contractor. The contractor is continuing to dredge and estimates that the project will be completed by the end of July or beginning of August.

- Pay Request No. 6 in the amount of \$84,262.41

Moved by Bob Faulk, seconded by Keith Guidry and unanimously accepted, the board approved Pay Request No. 6 in the amount of \$84,262.41.

- **Larose Floodgate Improvement and Protection – Ph 3 Interim Improvements, Steel Parapet Wall**

Sealevel Construction, Inc. is the contractor. The Lien Period is complete, and we are waiting on the Clear Lien Certificate to process the final payment.

- **Larose Floodgate Improvement and Protection – A Frame and I Wall**

Sealevel Construction, Inc. is the contractor. The contractor has degraded the levee and mobilized the crane on site. They will begin driving the test piles within the next two weeks.

GIS ENGINEERING, LLC

Engineer Ray Mayet reported the following:

- **Bayou Lafourche Water Level Control**

We have received the DNR permit as reported earlier by Windell Curole. We are now waiting for the Corps permit.

- **Pump Station No. 4 Upgrades**

SLLD personnel are re-routing mufflers. We met with the crane representative last Monday, and he is revising his quote based on 230-volt motors in lieu of 460-volt. Once the revised quote has been received, we will pay a 30% deposit to start assembly, which will take around five weeks to build the crane.

LEVEE IMPROVEMENTS – ANGELETTE-PICCIOLA, LLC

Engineering representative Sandy Guidry reported the following:

- **B-North & B-South Levee Improvements**

The contractor, Pontchartrain Partners, LLC, is continuing with construction on this project. We are recommending approval of Pay Request No. 26 in the amount of \$193,487.56.

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Moved by Roland Guidry, seconded by Keith Guidry and unanimously accepted, the board approved Pay Request No. 26 in the amount of \$193,487.56.

- **C-South Levee Improvements**

The contractor, RLC Contracting, Inc., is continuing with construction on this project. We anticipate the project to be complete in about a month. We are recommending approval of Pay Request No. 21 in the amount of \$169,188.06.

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Moved by McNeely Rome, seconded by Roland Guidry and unanimously accepted, the board approved Pay Request No. 21 in the amount of \$169,188.06.

- **Morganza to the Gulf, Reach L**

We will be reviewing plans and specifications with the District this month so that we can begin advertising for levee construction from Apache Farm to Grand Bayou, including options for the Bayou L’Bleu structure.

MORGANZA TO THE GULF

DELTA COAST CONSULTANTS

Program Manager Report (Mitch Marmande) Mr. Marmande was not in attendance.

ALL SOUTH CONSULTING ENGINEERS

Engineer Report (Stevie Smith)

Mr. Smith stated he had nothing more to report.

APTIM ENGINEERS

Laura Barnes reported the following:

- **Grand Bayou Floodgate Structure**

We are expecting the USACE permit any day. APTIM is submitting CPRA responses this week. IGA is still expected to be executed by Aug. 10, 2019.

LEGAL, PERMITS, AND RIGHT-OF-WAYS COMMITTEE REPORT

In the absence of Chairman Mitch Danos, Mr. Windell Curole announced that 2 permit requests were received for review, and that none interfered with the levee.

On a motion of McNeely Rome, seconded by Roland Curole and unanimously carried, the board approved Letters of No Objection for the following requests:

1. DELTA SEABOARD MARINE LLC

CUP NO: P20190479

LOCATION: Jefferson, Lafourche Parish, LA; VUC; BDC UC #1 Well @ Lat 29-25-53.73N, Long -90-04-08.68W; Section 04, T20S-R24E; See plats for additional coordinates; in Bay De Chene Field.

DESCRIPTION: Delta Seaboard Marine, LLC is proposing to plug and abandon fifty-nine wells and remove associated structures and approx. 142,432 linear feet of flowlines via pulling. Approx. 0.10 acres saline marsh and 4 acres of open water may be impacted by proposed activities.

2. ACE PIPELINE LLC

CUP NO: P20181347

LOCATION: Lafourche Parish, LA; Lat 30-00-20.72 N / Long -90-51-34.92 W (Point of Beginning Station 0+00); Lat 29-28-19.29 n / Long -90-15-06.92 W (Point of Ending Station 3074+16-see drawing, Sheet 43 for all Station coordinates)

DESCRIPTION: Proposed construction of approximately 306,761 feet (58.1 miles) of 30-inch diameter crude oil pipeline from an existing terminal in St James, LA to the LOOP Facility near Galliano LA. A total of approximately 1,905,885 cubic yards of excavation/filling may impact a total of 820 acres of wetlands, non-wetlands and waterbottom for this project (see application and drawing for details).

BOARD ATTORNEY

Attorney Ray Collins was not in attendance.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

INVOICES

Commissioner Monty Vegas announced that the Finance Committee had reviewed the invoices and recommended they be paid.

On a motion of Keith Guidry, seconded by McNeely Rome, and unanimously carried, the board approved the payment of the invoices as presented.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

In the absence of Commissioner Monty Vegas, Mr. Keith Guidry announced that the Personnel Committee had met earlier and recommended a promotion for Allen Allemand from Mobile Equipment Operator 1 to Mobile Equipment Operator 2. The committee also stated that Mobile Equipment Operator 1 Kelly Schouest had met the requirements of probational status and would be moved to Permanent Status.

On a motion of Keith Guidry, seconded by Bob Faulk, and unanimously carried, the board approved a promotion for Allen Allemand from Mobile Equipment Operator 1 to Mobile Equipment Operator 2 position, and approved permanent status position of Mobile Equipment Operator 1 for Kelly Schouest.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no new business.

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With no further business to discuss, the board unanimously adjourned the meeting on a motion of McNeely Rome and seconded by Bob Faulk.

s/Ronald Callais, President

s/Windell A. Curole, Executive Secretary