

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS  
ST. MARY LEVEE DISTRICT  
REGULAR MEETING

DECEMBER 12, 2019  
MORGAN CITY, LOUISIANA

The St. Mary Levee District (“SMLD”) met on this date with President William Hidalgo, Sr., presiding and the following board members present: J.P. Hebert, Norris Crappell, Kenny Arceneaux, James Vidos, Will Terry, Luther Smith, Barry Broussard, and Alton Broussard.

Also present: Tim Matte, St. Mary Levee District Executive Director; William Bourgeois; Mark Roberts and, APTIM; Reid Miller, Miller Engineers, Kevin O’Gorman, T. Baker Smith; Jerry Carroll, CPRA; and members of the public.

Mr. Arceneaux moved to dispense with the reading and to approve the Nov 14 regular meeting minutes. After a second by Mr. Crappell the motion carried unanimously.

Mr. B. Broussard presented the payables report, which Mr. A. Broussard moved to approve. Following Mr. Arceneaux second, the motion carried unanimously.

Reid Miller of Miller Engineers reported the contractor is completing some punch list items on the Bayou Choupique project. Mr. Miller stated that a substantial completion approval should be issued in January.

Mr. Tim Matte reported that Bill H., Mike, and he met with the landowners to discuss the Levees West of Charenton.

Mr. Miller reported that the contractor on the Yokely Levee is dressing up the levee and is nearly completed.

Kevin O’Gorman with T. Baker Smith reported that the Drainage District has authorized the contractor to drive test piles for the new pump station.

Mark Roberts with APTIM reported Phase 1a of the Bayou Chene Project has been deemed substantially complete. Mr. Roberts stated a notice to proceed will be issued next week for the Phase 1b portion of the project. Mr. Roberts reported the Phase 2 portion of the Bayou Chene project, that an issue on the bid contract document was submitted to SMLD by CPRA and SMLD is awaiting approval by CPRA; once approved the advertisement will begin late December or early January.

Mr. Roberts reported a pre-construction meeting was held with Sealevel Construction for the Bayou Teche project. Mr. Roberts stated that the start date for the project will be January 6 with a 300 day construction period.

Mr. Matte reported he is now on the Louisiana Watershed Initiative committee.

Mr. Matte reported that the USACOE recently announced that the Mississippi River height is expected to reach over 11’ within the next week or so. Mr. Matte stated they do not anticipate entering Flood Fight status.

Mr. Matte discussed the amended budget for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2019 and the proposed budget for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2020. Mr. Hidalgo invited public comment.

Mr. Hebert motioned to adopt the district’s amended budget for FY 2019, which was followed by Mr. Arceneaux’s second, it carried unanimously. Mr. Crappell motioned to adopt the FY 2020 budget, which was followed by Mr. B. Broussard’s second, it carried unanimously.

Mr. A. Broussard motioned to include the adoption of Change Order #1 by T. Baker Smith of the action item to accept the substantial completion of the clearing and grubbing portion

for the Bayou Chene Flood Protection project. After a second by Mr. Arceneaux, the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Hebert motioned to accept the substantial completion and to approve Change Order #1 for the Bayou Chene project. After a second by Mr. Crappell, the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Broussard motioned to authorized Mr. Hidalgo to sign amendment no. 2 to Task Order 9 for the Bayou Chene project. After a second by Mr. Hebert, the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Arceneaux motioned to authorize Mr. Hidalgo to sign the ROW agreements with Cabot and JMB on the North Bend project and to make payments as required. After a second by Mr. Terry, the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Hebert motioned to authorize the advertisement of Bayou Chene Flood Protection Project Phase 2. After a second by Mr. Terry, the motioned passed unanimously.

Mr. Hidalgo asked for further comments and did not receive any. Mr. Terry moved for adjournment, which was seconded by Mr. Crappell and carried unanimously.

Attest:

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Barry A. Broussard, Secretary  
St. Mary Levee District