

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
ST. MARY LEVEE DISTRICT
REGULAR MEETING

AUGUST 13, 2020
VIA PHONE CONFERENCE

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

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

Mr. Terry moved to dispense with the reading and to approve the July 9 regular meeting minutes. After a second by Mr. Arceneaux the motion carried unanimously.

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

Mr. Matte presented the Statement of Revenues by sources and Summary of Expenditures of the St. Mary Levee District.

There were no comments from the public.

Mr. Terry would like to rename the Levees West of Charenton project to Levees West of Charenton Canal south of Hwy 90.

In regards to the Yokely Levee Extension project, Reid Miller reported his office ran a matrix of the alignments with cost estimates to present alternatives that might reduce the amount of right of ways needed for the project.

Kevin O’Gorman reported his office met with the Morgan City Pump Station contractors to review 90% pricing and to clarify contractor assumptions; contractor will resubmit pricing based on cost saving measures discussed in the meeting.

Mr. O’Gorman reported that his office has met with all 15 landowners along with St. Mary Levee District to review concept plans and collect feedback on the Lakeside project. Mr. O’Gorman stated that his office has received 9 of the 15 right of entry agreements that were sent to the landowners.

Mr. Matte reported the SMLD will be accepting bids on Phase 4A, the levee building and raising of Avoca Road on August 25.

Mr. Matte reported an allocation of funds in the amount of \$3M has been made for the current fiscal year for the Bayou Teche project from the DOTD.

Mr. Bourgeois read aloud in full the millage resolution for 5 mills to be adopted. Mr. Hidalgo requested comments from the general public in attendance. There were no comments; therefore Mr. Terry moved to adopt the 2020 millage resolution of 5 mills. Following a second by Mr. Arceneaux, the motion carried unanimously.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the following millage(s) are hereby levied on the 2020 tax roll on all property subject to taxation by the ST. MARY LEVEE DISTRICT.

MILLAGE

Tax for construction, maintenance and operation	5 mills
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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the proper administrative officials of the Parish of St. Mary, State of Louisiana, be and they are hereby empowered, authorized, and directed to spread said taxes, as hereinabove set forth, upon the assessment roll of said Parish for the year 2020, and to make the collection of the taxes imposed for and on behalf of the taxing authority, according to law, and that the taxes herein levied shall become a permanent lien and privilege on all property subject to taxation as herein set forth, and collection thereof shall be enforceable in the manner provided by law.

Mr. B. Broussard moved to authorize extending the month to month lease with Diversified. After a second by Mr. A. Broussard the motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Arceneaux moved to authorize the approval of Amendment #4 for Task Order #9 for project, representation and engineering during construction during Phase 4A on the Bayou Chene Project. After a second by Mr. Hebert the motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Hebert moved to approve phasing the Yokely Extension project. After a second by Mr. A. Broussard the motion carried unanimously.

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

Attest:

Barry A. Broussard, Secretary
St. Mary Levee District