

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
ST. MARY LEVEE DISTRICT
REGULAR MEETING

July 17, 2025
Morgan City, LA

The St. Mary Levee District (“SMLD”) met on this date with President William Hidalgo Sr., presiding and the following board members present: Mike Ortiz, Kenny Arceneaux, Mike Thomason, Andrew Mancuso, Kenny Arceneaux, J.P. Hebert and with Carla Davis and Will Terry absent.

Also present: Tim Matte, Executive Director; Michael Brocato, Operations Manager; Gerard Bourgeois, Bill Bourgeois; Robert Karam, T. Baker Smith; Nicole Cutforth, APTIM; Reid Miller, Miller Engineers; Alyssa Cart, Darnall Sikes & Frederick and members of the public.

Mr. Mancuso moved to dispense with the reading and to approve the Jun 19 minutes. After a second by Mr. Arceneaux, the motion was carried unanimously.

Mr. Arceneaux presented the payables report, which Mr. Hebert moved to approve. Following Mr. Mancuso’s second, the motion was carried unanimously.

Mr. Matte also presented the Statement of Revenues by Sources and Summary of Expenditures with comparison to budget of the St. Mary Levee District.

Ms. Alyssa Cart with Darnell, Sikes, & Frederick presented the audit report for the year 2024. Ms. Cart stated an unmodified opinion was issued which is the best possible that can be given. Mr. Arceneaux moved to accept the 2024 audit, which was seconded by Mr. Mancuso and carried unanimously.

Mr. Robert Karam with T. Baker Smith reported Olsson is working to finalize the 25-year storm event model results for Phase 2 of the West of Charenton drainage study. Mr. Karam stated that his office has completed the conceptual design and section views of the proposed levee system and water control structures.

Mr. Karam reported the weir project (TE 168) is complete. Mr. Karam stated that his office is working with the geotechnical engineer on the proposed floodwall stability design analysis for the Lakeside Flood Protection Project and his office is also working on revising the Walnut Canal weir design plans based on using existing construction materials SMLD has on hand.

Mr. Matte reported the generator for Pump Station #9 was received and the generator will be able to run the fuel transfer pumps and lights at the pump station in the event of a power outage. Mr. Matte stated the installation for the generator has been completed. Mr. Matte also reported the river levels have returned to normal and permitting restrictions have been lifted.

Mr. Mancuso moved to expand the agenda to include the acceptance of the Substantial Completion of the TE 168 weir project. After a second by Mr. Hebert the motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Mancuso moved to approve the above-mentioned item and after a second by Mr. Arceneaux the motioned was carried unanimously.

Mr. Hebert moved to authorize amendment No 1 to the APTIM Administrative Services Agreement. After a second by Mr. Mancuso the motion was carried unanimously.

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

Attest:

Kenneth Arceneaux Jr., Secretary/Treasurer
St. Mary Levee District