

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF WATERWORKS DISTRICT
NO. 1 OF THE PARISH OF ASSUMPTION, STATE OF LOUISIANA, TAKEN AT REGULAR
BOARD MEETING HELD ON AUGUST 28, 2023 @ 6:30 P.M.

Vice-President Wayne Arboneaux called the meeting to order with the pledge and silent prayer.

Board Members Present: Wayne Arboneaux, Jim Boudreaux, Charles Brown, Travis Daigle, Jerome Bougere, Blaine Mabile, Calvin Steward, Adam Mayon, Paul Lewis and Kenneth Dupaty.

Board Members Absent: Scott Sternfels.

Also Present: General Manager B.J. Francis, Lacresha LeBlanc, Ginger Rushing, Linda Cooke with The Bayou Pioneer, Dan Foglesong with PACE Engineering, ADA Spencer Long, Shane Guin with High Tide Consultants, Gary McClure, Nikki Gill and Steve Breeding with Shread-Kuyrkendall & Associates and Lawrence Gettys with TCM Law Office.

Vice-President Wayne Arboneaux called for the approval of the minutes of the July 24, 2023 Regular Board Meeting.

On a motion by Jerome Bougere, seconded by Kenneth Dupaty and unanimously carried to approve the minutes of the July 24, 2023 Regular Board Meeting.

Vice-President Wayne Arboneaux opened the floor for public comment to discuss agenda items.

Vice-President Wayne Arboneaux closed the floor for public comment.

Spencer Long and Lawrence Gettys addressed the Board regarding lawsuits of Forever Chemicals in Water Systems.

Chairman Jim Boudreaux provided Engineering Committee updates.

Derrick St. Pump Station/Bayou Valarie Demo Project – The site survey and walk through has been completed. We are waiting on materials for the demo and will have update at next meeting.

On a motion by Blaine Mabile, seconded by Kenneth Dupaty and unanimously carried to pay invoice #23-1006 to Miller Engineers & Associates, Inc. in the amount of \$108.15 (Recording Fees for Bayou Valarie Demo Change Order No. 3).

On a motion by Blaine Mabile, seconded by Calvin Steward and unanimously carried to pay invoice #10 to Miller Engineers & Associates, Inc. in the amount of \$2,226.42 (Construction Phase and Project Management).

On a motion by Kenneth Dupaty, seconded by Travis Daigle and unanimously carried to pay invoice #11 to Volute, Inc. in the amount of \$131,368.71 (Project Completion minus Retainage-\$40,447.91).

Plant Pump House Pump #3 Upgrade – We are waiting on the arrival of the pump and expect installation to begin in October.

On a motion by Blaine Mabile, seconded by Jerome Bougere and unanimously carried to pay invoice #3 to Miller Engineers & Associates, Inc. in the amount of \$1,070.05 (Construction Phase and Project Management).

On a motion by Calvin Steward, seconded by Kenneth Dupaty and unanimously carried to pay invoice #1 to Pintail Contracting Services, Inc. in the amount of \$28,800.00 (Materials Received-VFD).

Plant #5 Addition Project (2022 Bond Project) – The plans are greater than 90% complete for SCADA and the electrical. All permits have been applied for and will advertise at the end of October.

Administrative Building/Board Meeting Room (2022 Bond Project) – The approval of the Deduct Change Order is tabled until the next board meeting.

Elevated Tower Rehabilitation Review (2022 Bond Project) – The paperwork has been submitted to DHH for the Bayou L’Ourse and Belle River towers. The bid process will begin on 9/12/2023, open bids on 10/12/2023 and have results at the October 2023 board meeting.

On a motion by Charles Brown, seconded by Blaine Mabile and unanimously carried to pay invoice #21255-P1-3 to High Tide Consultants, LLC in the amount of \$30,358.60 for Phase I Belle River and Bayou L’Ourse Tanks (100% Preliminary Design, 75% Final Design).

On a motion by Jerome Bougere, seconded by Blaine Mabile and unanimously carried to pay invoice #21255-P1-4 to High Tide Consultants, LLC in the amount of \$8,279.61 for bid package development (90% Final Design – Belle River and Bayou L’Ourse Towers).

Plant #2 Ceiling Repair – Shane Guin gave updates. He informed the Board that the bid by Python Corporation was recommended in the amount of \$103,000.00 with a four (4) week process.

On a motion by Kenneth Dupaty, seconded by Blaine Mabile and unanimously carried to pay invoice #23186-1 to High Tide Consultants, LLC in the amount of \$2,070.00 (Bid Preparation and Bid Review).

Vice-President Wayne Arboneaux presented the report from the Finance Committee.

The monthly reports were all in order.

On a motion by Paul Lewis, seconded by Kenneth Dupaty and unanimously carried that the monthly invoices be paid.

B.J. Francis gave the Distribution updates.

Ginger Rushing gave the Plant updates.

Vice-President Wayne Arboneaux asked for suggested action items for September 25, 2023 meeting.

Engineering Committee Chairman Jim Boudreaux suggested that fire hydrants be added as a suggested action item.

Vice-President Wayne Arboneaux asked for a motion to adjourn.

On a motion by Travis Daigle, seconded by Kenneth Dupaty and unanimously carried to adjourn the Regular Board Meeting at 7:26 p.m.

Wayne Arboneaux – Vice-President

Jaime Boudreaux – Secretary/Treasurer