

**Fifth Louisiana Levee District
September 13, 2023**

The Board of Commissioners for the Fifth Louisiana Levee District met in regular session on Wednesday, September 13, 2023, at the Levee Board Office, 102 Burnside Drive, Tallulah, LA at 9:00 a.m. President Reynold Minsky called the meeting to order. Commissioners Hiram Copeland, Clark Hill, Barry Maxwell and Jack Varner answered roll call.

Visitors included Dylan McIntosh, DOTD; Andy Anders, Soil & Water; Bill Beasley, Concordia Parish Drainage District; and Billy Rucker.

On motion by Commissioner Maxwell, 2nd by Commissioner Varner, the Board voted to ratify all Board actions taken and to approve the minutes from August 2023 meeting when a quorum was not present. No public comments were offered.

Commissioners reviewed and approved claims submitted for August on motion by Commissioner Maxwell 2nd by Commissioner Hill, after hearing no public comments. Commissioners reviewed financial statements for August.

Board opened bids for the mapping/surveying of Items 393-R, 366-R, 340-R, and N.O. Smithland Project. Motion was made by Commissioner Hill, 2nd by Commissioner Copeland to approve the bid submitted by Volkert. No public comments were offered.

Board was presented information from Tensas/Concordia Soil and Water Conservation District to be made aware of potential drainage projects within Concordia Parish. No action taken.

Hearing no public comments, a motion was made by Commissioner Hill, 2nd by Commissioner Copeland to approve permit request from Entergy seeking permission to install a power pole approximately 40 ft. from the Mainline Mississippi River Levee in Tensas Parish. Approval was granted subject to USACE and DOTD approval.

After no public comments were offered, Board approved permit request from James Burford seeking permission to construct a 100X400 concrete slab approximately 20 ft. from the toe of the Red River Back Water Levee in Concordia Parish. Motion was made by Commissioner Maxwell, 2nd by Commissioner Hill. Approval was granted subject to USACE and DOTD approval.

Commissioners reviewed and discussed letter from Angelina Plantation regarding the lease of Levee District Property in Concordia Parish. No action was taken.

There being no other business to consider, the meeting was adjourned on motion by Commissioner Copeland, 2nd by Commissioner Hill.

Reynold Minsky, President

Jason Trichell, Supt. of Oper.