

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE  
NATCHITOCHEs LEVEE AND DRAINAGE DISTRICT  
November 12, 2014  
6:00 p.m.**

BE IT KNOWN that a Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Natchitoches Levee and Drainage District was called in the Police Jury Meeting Room, Natchitoches Parish Courthouse, Natchitoches, Louisiana, on November 12, 2014, with a quorum being present, and roll was called as follows, to-wit:

Board Members present were:

Karlton Methvin, President/Administrator  
Doris Rogé, Member  
Janet Jones, Secretary  
Billy Giddens, Member  
Charles Brazzel, Jr., Member

Absent were:

Mark Swafford, Member  
Rayburn Smith, Member

Also present were:

Brad Sticker, DOTD Engineer  
Alan Sheppard  
Billy Dunn  
Ann Sklar

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Natchitoches Levee & Drainage District was called to order at 6:00 p.m by the President, Karlton Methvin.

The minutes of the October, 2014 meeting were read and discussed. A Motion was made by Charles Brazzel, Jr., and seconded by Janet Jones, to approve the October, 2014 minutes. The Motion passed unanimously.

The October, 2014 financial statement was reviewed and discussed. A Motion was made by Doris Rogé and seconded by Charles Brazzel, Jr. to approve the October, 2014 financial statement. The Motion passed unanimously.

The maintenance report was given by the Maintenance Superintendent, Billy Dunn. Mr. Dunn advised that his crew was through cleaning the L-13 ditch at the southern end of the parish. They are now at Hargis Road cleaning levees and will cross the river tomorrow. He also confirmed that December 4 would be the last day of work for Mr. Jerry Nugent. Mr. Nugent is the part time employee we hired to assist with grass cutting during the summer. He can only work a maximum of 1245 hours and will be time limited on December 4.

The DOTD report was given by Brad Sticker. Mr. Sticker advised that we will be receiving a permit request from Cleco for a channel crossing. Corkern suggested this may be a good time to discuss with Cleco some of their utility poles that are within 6' from the toe of the levee.

Mr. Sticker further informed the Board that the plans for Louisiana Highway 495 at Cloutierville were complete and that project was expected to be advertised for bids early next calendar year. There was further discussion regarding the closure of Highway 495 during the construction period.

Mr. Sticker asked for a letter from the Board to DOTD requesting the latter to purchase video pipe equipment so that we can video our drainage pipes. The letter should suggest our willingness to participate in the maintenance cost of this equipment. The Board requested Corkern to write a letter to DOTD and to coordinate with Mr. Sticker with respect to what the letter should contain.

In other business, the Board requested Corkern to contact Ken Guidry regarding our levee in the southern part of the parish where water pooled by the Red River Waterway Commission is against the levee.

In other business, the Board discussed the 2013 annual inspection by the Army Corps of Engineers. It took 18 months from the date of the inspection for the Corps to furnish us with its report. The cover letter which accompanied the report asked for us to advise within 45 days how we intended to address the deficiencies. Brad Sticker is working on a response and will coordinate with Corkern to provide a written response to the Corps.

Corkern advised that the last payment to Regional Construction, LLC had been made for the contract work it

performed. The application was made to Facility & Planning for the payment of the remaining funds under this project. On September 24, 2014 a direct deposit was made to our account in the amount of \$43,158.06.

Corkern reminded the Board that the annual meeting of the Association of Levee Boards of Louisiana would be held on December 3-4 in New Orleans. Doris Rogé, Karlton Methvin and Corkern have registered for this meeting.

There being no further business to come before the Board, a Motion was made by Janet Jones and seconded by Billy Giddens to adjourn. The Board voted unanimously in favor of the Motion.

Approved on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2014, at Natchitoches, Louisiana, at a regularly held meeting.

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**RONALD E. CORKERN, JR.,**  
Attorney/Assistant Secretary