MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE LONG BEACH WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT APRIL 15, 2019

The regular meeting of the Long Beach Water Management District was convened on Monday, April 15, 2019, at the Long Beach City Hall Building, Meeting Room, 201 Jeff Davis Avenue, Long Beach, Mississippi.

On roll call, the following Commissioners were found to be present as follows:

David Marshall Brett Mallette Mary Ladner

Also present was Bobby Long, General Counsel for the Long Beach Water Management District, and Haley N. Broom, Esquire with the law firm of Dukes, Dukes, Keating & Faneca, P.A. For the full list of meeting attendees see copy of the public sign-in sheet attached hereto as **Exhibit "1"**.

A quorum of Commissioners was found to be present.

Commissioner Mallette entered the Notice of Meeting which was posted prior to the meeting. A copy of this notice is attached hereto as **Exhibit "2"**.

Upon Motion duly made by Commissioner Marshall, seconded by Commissioner Ladner, and unanimously carried, the Minutes for March 21, 2019 Regular meeting were approved. A copy of the Minutes is attached hereto as **Exhibit "3"**.

Upon Motion duly made by Commissioner Ladner, seconded by Commissioner Marshall, and unanimously carried, the Minutes for April 2, 2019 Special meeting were approved. A copy of the Minutes is attached hereto as **Exhibit "4"**.

Upon Motion duly made by Commissioner Marshall, seconded by Commissioner Ladner, and unanimously carried, the Minutes for April 10, 2019 Special meeting were approved. A copy of the Minutes is attached hereto as **Exhibit "5"**.

Upon Motion duly made by Commissioner Marshall, seconded by Commissioner Ladner and unanimously carried, the Docket of Claims for April 15, 2019, was approved. A copy of the Docket of Claims is attached hereto as **Exhibit "6"**.

Upon Motion duly made by Commissioner Ladner, seconded by Commissioner Marshall, and unanimously carried, the Resolution for Attorneys Fees for the period of March 21, 2019 through April 9. 2019, in the amount of \$6,994.30 was approved. See Resolution attached hereto as **Exhibit** "7".

A discussion was held regarding the Maintenance Proposal with the City of Long Beach. Long Beach resident Candi Holloway raised questions as to what the Maintenance proposal would entail as well as whether or not the taxes being assessed for living within the LBWMD were a double tax if the City has the contract to do canal maintenance. Joe Culpepper with Utility Partners/Long Beach responded to her questions identifying the specific tasks included in the proposal as well as explaining that the special assessment tax is specifically for the maintenance of the canals and that entering the contract with the City for doing the maintenance was utilizing those funds as intended, and it would be the same if it were a private contractor to do the work as done in the past.

Long Beach resident Lisa Kilpatrick raised questions and expressed complaints pertaining to snakes, alligators and other wild life in and around the canals and concerns she and other neighbors had for the safety of the neighbors and children. Commissioner Marshall responded to Ms. Kilpatrick's concerns stating that the LBWMD is responsible for the maintenance of the canals only, this does not include any type of wild life control unless the wild life is causing some type of damage or blockage in the canals. Commissioner Marshall further discussed what the term "cleaning" the canals entailed and the need for a good long maintenance program. No further action was taken.

A brief discussion was held regarding the status of the Canal No. 1 easement project and Bobby Long informed the Commissioners that the project was moving forward. No further action was taken.

A discussion was held regarding an update for the Canal No. 1 Design Project. Bobby Long reiterated information provided via email from project engineer, Ben Benvenutti as to the design and survey issues. No further action was taken.

A discussion was held regarding beaver dams and action necessary to trap beavers to prevent the rebuilding of dams in Canals. Alex Crain and Dustin Fore were present from the U.S. Department of Agriculture and answered questions regarding the behavior patterns of the aquatic critters. Alex Crain indicated that they had not yet had an opportunity to perform a site inspection of the canals but that they would schedule same and submit a written report as to the findings as well as a proposal for the costs associated with removing them from the canals. No further action was taken.

A discussion was held regarding Work Authorization No. 22 with Covington Engineering which provides engineering services associated with the creation/preparation of a Land Rights Map for Canal No. 1. Upon Motion duly made by Commissioner Marshall, seconded by Commissioner Ladner, and unanimously carried, the Resolution authorizing and approving Work Authorization No. 22 was tabled until the next meeting.

Upon Motion duly made by Commissioner Ladner, seconded by Commissioner

Marshall, and unanimously carried, the Commissioners went into executive session to discuss litigation involving LBWMD resident Carrubba.

The next meeting of the Long Beach Water Management District was scheduled to be held on May 16, 2019.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, and upon Motion duly made by Commissioner Ladner, seconded by Commissioner Marshall, and unanimously carried, the meeting of the Long Beach Water Management District was adjourned.

Brett Mallette

David Marshall

J:\WP51\User9\817.0000 t.BWMD\817.103\Minutes\2019\April 15, 2019.wpd