
**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE
LONG BEACH WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
AUGUST 17, 2023**

The regular meeting of the Long Beach Water Management District was convened on Thursday, August 17, 2023, at the Law Offices of Dukes, Dukes, Keating & Faneca, P.A., 2909 13th Street, 6th Floor, Gulfport, Mississippi.

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

David W. Marshall (Absent)
Brett Mallette
Mary Ladner

Also present was Sarah McLellan and Ben Benvenuti with Covington Civil and Environmental, Candi Holloway and James Wedworth, residents of the City of Long Beach, and general counsel, Je'Nell Blum with the law firm of Dukes, Dukes, Keating & Faneca, P.A., see copy of the public sign-in sheet attached hereto as **Exhibit "1"**.

A quorum of Commissioners was found to be present.

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

A discussion was held with Candi Holloway and James Wedworth regarding concerns they have about potential erosion in the bank of Canal 2/3 behind the Holloway property. Sarah McLellan with Covington Engineering discussed the initial findings from the survey prepared of the canal bank in that area. Sarah explained that upon the initial review of the current survey and after comparison to the 2013 USACE surveys prepared for that location, there did not appear to be much erosion during that 10 year period. Sarah further stated that a formal report would be prepared and submitted after a more in depth analysis of the surveys. No further action was taken.

Upon Motion duly made by Commissioner Ladner, seconded by Commissioner Mallette, and unanimously carried, the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 28, 2023 were approved. A copy of the Minutes for July 28, 2023 is attached hereto as **Exhibit "4"**.

Approval of the Minutes for the Special Telephonic Meeting from July 28, 2023 was tabled until the September 21, 2023 meeting.

Upon Motion duly made by Commissioner Ladner, seconded by Commissioner Mallette, and unanimously carried, the Docket of Claims for August 17, 2023, was approved. A copy of the Docket of Claims is attached hereto as **Exhibit "5"**.

Upon Motion duly made by Commissioner Ladner, seconded by Commissioner Mallette, and unanimously carried, the Resolution for Attorneys Fees for the period of July 12, 2023 through August 15, 2023 was approved, see Resolution attached hereto as

Exhibit "6".

A discussion was held regarding the status of the Canal No. 1 Improvement project. Upon Motion duly made by Commissioner Ladner, seconded by Commissioner Mallette, and unanimously carried, the Resolution Approving Engineer's Opinion of Probable Costs for Canal No. 1 Improvement Project was approved. A copy of the Resolution is attached hereto as **Exhibit "7"**.

Upon further discussion regarding Canal No. 1 Improvement Project, Sarah McLellan with Covington provided an update stating that the pre-bid meeting was held on August 3, 2023 at Covington's Office and that the bid opening was scheduled for August 18, 2023. See Project Status Report attached hereto as **Exhibit "8"**.

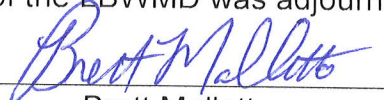
A discussion was held regarding the USACE Project for Canal 2/3 and Ben Benvenuti with Covington provided a status update stating that the USACE informed him that the construction crew was scheduled to begin construction close out items the week of August 28, 2023. See Report attached hereto as **Exhibit "8"**.


A discussion was held regarding the status of the Maintenance Plan for Canal No. 1 and Canal 2/3 as required by the USACE. Sarah with Covington stated that once the amended OMRRR is provided by USACE, the Maintenance Plan will be updated and finalized. Additionally, Sarah stated that the contract with Chempro for the Chemical Spray project in the amount of \$22,500.00 for Canal 2/3 is scheduled to begin during the first half of the month of September. See Report attached hereto as **Exhibit "8"**.

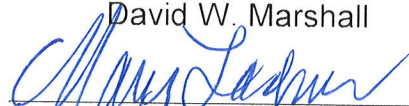
A discussion was held regarding requesting a proposal from the City of Long Beach/H2O for services associated with maintenance work on the canals pursuant to the Maintenance Plan. The Commissioners expressed their approval for Ben to reach out to Joe Culpepper regarding getting a proposal to perform this work. No further action was taken.

The next meeting of the Long Beach Water Management District was scheduled to be held on Thursday, September 21, 2023.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, and upon Motion duly made by Commissioner Ladner, seconded by Commissioner Mallette, and unanimously carried, the meeting of the LBWMD was adjourned.


Brett Mallette


David W. Marshall


Mary Ladner