

Fifth Louisiana Levee District
March 14, 2018

The Board of Commissioners for the Fifth Louisiana Levee District met in regular session on Wednesday, March 14, 2018, at the Levee Board Office, 102 Burnside Drive, Tallulah, LA at 9:00 a.m. President Reynold Minsky called the meeting to order. Commissioners John David Frith, Clark Hill, James Kelly, Barry Maxwell, Jack Varner, and Pat Mabray answered roll call.

Visitors included Pat White, Rick Shelton and David Dyer, USACE ; Sam Hodge, DOTD; Robert Talley; Richard Sibley; and Rick Sibley.

After no public comments were made, the Board approved February minutes on a motion by Commissioner Varner 2nd by Commissioner Maxwell.

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

The Board received bids for the General Insurance for 2018-2019. On motion by Commissioner Maxwell, 2nd by Commissioner Mabray, Board approved the low bid from Lensing, Lensing, Cunningham and Hager. No public comments were offered.

The Board received bids for the purchase of up to 4 clippers. On motion by Commissioner Varner, 2nd by Commissioner Hill, Board awarded the low bid to Goldman for one Bushhog Cutter and awarded the purchase of two Rhino Cutters from PTI. No public comments were offered.

After hearing no public comments, Board decided to do more research on the two bids received for the trade and purchase of new tractors. Once all questions have been answered, office will make decision along with approval from the Board President.

Board members reviewed the proposed FY 2018-2019 Fiscal Year Budget. After no public comments were offered, the Board adopted the proposed budget on motion by Commissioner Frith, 2nd by Commissioner Hill.

On motion by Commissioner Varner, 2nd by Commissioner Maxwell, Board agreed to advertise for the position of Mobile Equipment Operator 1. No public comments were offered.

After no public comments were offered, motion was made by Commissioner Varner, 2nd by Commissioner Mabray, to approve a permit request from Bryant Hammett and Associates seeking permission to relocate existing line within 1500 ft of the Mainline Mississippi River Levee near Deer Park in Concordia Louisiana. No public comments were offered. Approval was granted subject to USACE and DOTD approval.

The Board reviewed a permit request from Jordan Kaiser & Associates seeking permission to construct Brushy Bayou Drainage Structure in the Red River Levee in Concordia Parish. On motion by Commissioner Varner 2nd by Commissioner Maxwell, Board approved permit request subject to USACE and DOTD approval. No public comments were offered.

Robert Talley addressed the Board about landowner concerns due to the recent appropriation of property owned by the Sibley family. No action taken.

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

Reynold Minsky, President

Jason Trichell, Supt. of Oper.