

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE
NATCHITOCHEs LEVEE AND DRAINAGE DISTRICT**

April 9, 2019

7:00 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 April 9, 2019, with a quorum being present, and roll was called as follows, to-wit:

Board Members present were:

Karlton Methvin, President/Administrator
Janet Jones, Secretary
Terry Sklar, Member
Billy Giddens, Member
Rayburn Smith, Member
Mark Swafford, Member
Casey Messenger, Member

Absent were:

Doris Rogé, Member

Also present were:

Billy Dunn, Maintenance Superintendent
Brad Sticker, DOTD Engineer
Ford Stenson

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Natchitoches Levee & Drainage District was called to order at 7:00 p.m by the President, Karlton Methvin.

A Motion was made by Smith, and seconded by Swafford to amend the agenda for the purpose of entertaining a Motion to enter into a contract with Two Guys Trapping to trap beavers on Levee Board proeprty. Following public discussion, the Motion to amend the agenda passed unanimously.

The March, 2019 minutes were read and discussed. Following public comment, a Motion was made by Sklar and seconded by Giddens to approve the March, 2019 minutes. This Motion passed unanimously.

The March, 2019 financial statement was reviewed and discussed. Following public comments, a Motion was made by Sklar and seconded by Messenger to approve the March, 2019 financial statement. This Motion passed unanimously.

The maintenance report was given by Maintenance Superintendent, Billy Dunn. Mr. Dunn advised that his crew had finished working the Natchitoches side of Red River. They had repaired cow walks and slides, as well as cut overhanging brush. The crew has now started working on the Campti side of the river. Mr. Dunn also reported that two of our structures located at CC6 and CC11 were in need of repairs, and that repairs to those structures has been completed. Both of these structures are located on the Campti side of the river. One of the structures is a 10' gate on the Crooks property, and one of the structures is located behind Mr. Giddens' place.

Dunn further advised that he had talked with Mark Hunt and Jack Baxley about trapping beavers. These two individuals advised that they charged \$100.00 a day and would provide a count of the number of beavers they trapped.

Dunn also advised that the annual inspection by the Corps was scheduled for April 17 and 18.

Brad Sticker, DOTD Engineer, then discussed with the Board two letters of no objection by DOTD. One letter of no objection related to a ramp near Clarence, and the other was for emergency repairs to an irrigation pipeline on Ken Guidry's property.

Sticker also advised he would be present for the inspection by the Corps next Wednesday and Thursday.

Sticker further advised that he had talked with the engineers at Myer, Myer & Lacroix about the status of our application for FEMA funds. The engineers have completed all of their work and submitted it. Presumably, no good news.

In other business, Corkern advised the Board that Mayor Lee Posey had received a call from a resident living on Royal Street in East Natchitoches who requested that the drainage ditch running through East Natchitoches be sprayed. Karlton Methvin advised that he was familiar with the ditch and the weeds did, in fact, need to be sprayed. Ford Stenson informed the Board that Edko would begin spraying this month and he would check the ditch in East Natchitoches and spray it as well.

In other business, Karlton Methvin presented to the Board the Resolution to roll the milage forward for the tax year 2019. The Resolution was read in full and following public discussion, a Motion was made by Messenger and seconded by Swafford to adopt Resolution No. 1 of 2019. The Resolution passed unanimously.

A Motion was then made by Sklar and seconded by Jones to enter into a contract with Two Guys Trapping to trap beavers at a cost of \$100 per day. The contract would be for a period of 30 days. Following public discussion, the Motion authorizing Karlton Methvin to enter into a contract with Two Guys Trapping to trap beavers passed unanimously.

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

Approved on the 14th day of May, 2019, at Natchitoches, Louisiana, at a regularly held meeting.

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