

Nineteenth Louisiana Levee District

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June 14, 2022

A public meeting was held by the Commissioners of the Nineteenth Louisiana Levee Board on June 13, 2022 at 4:15 p.m. in the Grant Parish Police Jury Meeting Room.

The following members were present: Gordon Smith, William "Bill" Dean, and Fren Allen.

Also Present : Susan Douglas, DOTD

Jamarcus Torrence, DOTD

Meeting was called to order by Gordon Smith

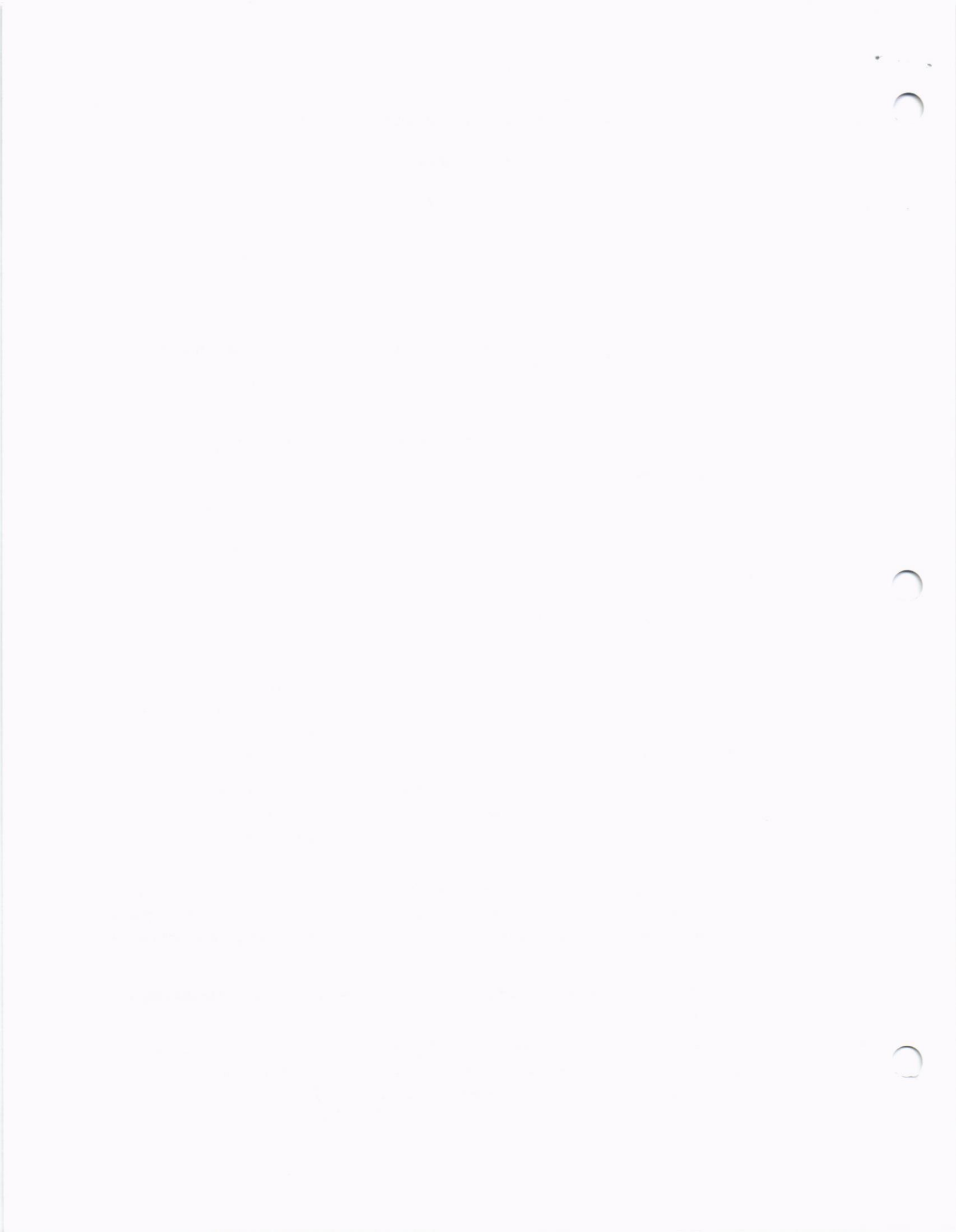
Discussion followed about the vegetation clean up on the levee. Lang sent representatives to tour areas of the 19th levee on Monday, 6/13/2022 with Gordon Smith at which time the representatives took notes and pictures. It was discussed as to what they can and will do and what they cannot do as to the clean up of vegetation and trees.

Susan Douglas presented 2 DOTD Pre-Flood Inspection Reports, 1 list vegetation with fences and 2 list vegetation without fences. She suggest the National Guard could proceed with clean up of vegetation with out fence issues to get started. She also stated that they needed to wait on the cost estimation from the National Guard.

Gordon states that the landowners should be responsible for the elimination of the debris on their property, said that working with the landowners as to where they would want the debris to be piled on their land would be beneficial. Bill and Gordon also stated that no debris should be pushed into the bar pits.

Gordon stated that trees in fence rows could be cut level with fences and that National Guard could do this and Susan concurred.

Susan stated that the DOTD is mainly interested in clearing vegetation and trees 15 feet from levee so that large equipment may have access of entry to levees in case of flood and to be able to identify seepage. She also said that a good grass cutting would be very beneficial.



Bill Dean also gave a list of all who had access to keys for gates on the levee.

Other Business

Jonathan L. Rain Announced that RAB wants a report on all levee districts in the state seeing if levee boards are consistent with operation as set by the legislation of law of how they are set up to operate. This report is due by March 2023. Susan also said this report would include annual income, how it is obtained and if maxed out.

Gordon Smith motioned to adjourn meeting and Bill Dean seconded it.

CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the following is a true and exact copy of the board meeting held June 13 2022

Kim Vallee, Secretary

