

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
ST. MARY LEVEE DISTRICT
REGULAR MEETING

DECEMBER 13, 2012
MORGAN CITY, LOUISIANA

The St. Mary Levee District (“SMLD”) met on this date with President William Hidalgo, Sr., presiding and the following board members present: James Vidos, Norris Crappell, Will Terry, Raleigh Boudreaux, J.P. Hebert, Andrew Mancuso, and Luther Smith with Barry Broussard absent.

Also present: Hilary Thibodeaux, SMLD’s Executive Director; William Bourgeois, SMLD Attorney; Jeff Pena and Nicole Cutforth, Shaw Group; Jason Kennedy, T. Baker Smith; Rick Dugas, Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority (CPRA); Robbie Robinson; Sam Jones, U.S. Representative; and, members of the public and media.

Mr. Terry moved to dispense with the reading and to approve the Nov. 8 meeting minutes. After a second by Mr. Mancuso, the motion carried unanimously. Mr. Hidalgo solicited public comments. And, there were none.

Mr. Miller of Miller Engineers reported on the status of Hansen Canal and Yellow Bayou. He stated the designs are still being processed and they are due to be complete the end of February.

Shaw Group’s Jeff Pena presented a presentation for the Bayou Chene Project. Mr. Pena reported on other projects in the parish; Franklin Canal Floodgate Design, Franklin Canal Pump Station Design and Bayou Teche.

Mr. Thibodeaux reported funds have been obligated for reimbursement for Hurricane Isaac response efforts. Mr. Thibodeaux stated he attended the ALBL Conference which was held Dec 5th & 6th. Also reported by Mr. Thibodeaux was Cameron has offered to donate two sand hoppers and they would be dispensed in the east and west of the parish.

Mr. Hidalgo presented the payables report, which Mr. Vidos moved to approve. Following Mr. Smith’s second, the motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Bourgeois reported that he attended the legal session at ALBL conference and was able to meet with the Corp’s attorneys that were in attendance. Mr. Bourgeois reported also that he reviewed the CPRA’s requested Amendment No. 3 to the IGA and recommended that it be authorized for Mr. Hidalgo’s signature. Mr. Hebert moved to authorize Mr. Hidalgo to sign said agreement, which was followed by Mr. Mancuso’s second, it carried unanimously.

Mr. Thibodeaux discussed getting signature on a Letter of Request for the Corps to assist in Levee Certification. Mr. Boudreaux moved to authorize Mr. Thibodeaux to sign the letter, which was followed by Mr. Crappell’s second, it carried unanimously.

Mr. Mancuso reported he met with the City of Morgan City to discuss and offer any help they may need with back levees in Morgan City, he stated that he would have an update at next month’s meeting.

Mr. Mancuso motioned to adopt the district’s amended budget for FY 2012, which was followed by Mr. Vidos’ second, it carried unanimously. Mr. Terry motioned to adopt the FY 2013 budget, which was followed by Mr. Hebert’s second, it carried unanimously.

After Mr. Hidalgo asked for further comments and did not receive any, Mr. Terry moved for adjournment. Following Mr. Mancuso’s second, it carried unanimously.

Attest:

Barry A. Broussard, Secretary
St. Mary Levee District