

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE
AMITE RIVER BASIN DRAINAGE & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT**
3535 S. Sherwood Forest Boulevard, Suite 135, Baton Rouge, LA

November 15, 2011

MEMBERS PRESENT: Lawrence Callender, Terry Louque, Don Thompson, Al Bargas, John Brass, Russell Cornette, Anthony Rouchon, Randolph Saucier, Jerry Thibeau, Larry Thomas, Dale Zuelke

MEMBERS ABSENT: Willie George Lee, Joel Louque

ALSO PRESENT: Dietmar Rietschier, Executive Director
Toni Guitrau, Executive Secretary
Larry Bankston, Attorney

1. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Callender.
2. Public Comments on Agenda Items: None
3. Minutes
The Board unanimously approved a motion by Rouchon second by Cornette to approve the October 18, 2011 meeting minutes, as presented.
4. Financial Statement Report
Thompson presented to the Board the October 2011 General Fund and CRDC Fund financial statements. The Board unanimously approved a motion by Thibeau, second by Cornette to approve the October 2011 General Fund and CRDC Fund financial statements.
5. Report by Executive Director
 - Real estate acquisition: Presently, work is being done on 10 properties for mitigation and/or right-of-way.
 - The USACE has approximately 95% completed plans and specifications of the La. Hwy. 67 Bridge.
 - The USACE has approximately 60% completed plans and specifications of the Hwy. 61 Bridge and KCS RR Bridge.
 - Updated the Board on the status of the LA DOTD hiring a consultant.
 - The USACE requested right-of-entry to do minor repairs on the Lilly Bayou Control Structure.
 - The USACE is evaluating the Benefit/Cost Ratio for the CRDC Project.
6. Report by ARBC Legal Counsel/Old Business
 - Bankston updated the Board on the status of litigation matters.
 - Scheduled Finance Committee meeting for November 30, 2011 at 10 a.m. The Finance Committee members are as follows: Lawrence Callender, Terry Louque, Don Thompson, Al Bargas, and Jerry Thibeau. CPA David Shoptaugh will be asked to attend.
 - The CEA between the ARBC/LADOTD is pending.
7. New Business
8. The Board unanimously approved a motion by Cornette, second by Zuelke to adjourn the meeting.

APPROVED:

/s/ Lawrence Callender
Lawrence Callender, ARBC President

/s/ Toni B. Guitrau
Toni B. Guitrau, Executive Secretary

Date: December 13, 2011