



Coastal Protection and
Restoration Authority of Louisiana

**Governor's Press Room
State Capitol – 4th Floor
900 North Third Street, Baton Rouge, LA 70802**

**November 8, 2017
1:30 P.M. – 3:00 P.M.**

I. Call to Order – Windell Curole – 1:43pm

Roll Call - Windell Curole asked stand in secretary, Nedra Hains, Vice-President to call roll based on the parishes/levee districts/authorities: Present:

Amite, Dietmar Rietschier

Office of the Governor – Coastal Activities, Stephanie Aymond

Chenier Plain Authority, Earl Landry & Nedra Hains

Iberia Parish, Ray Fremin

Grand Isle, David Carmardelle

Lafourche Basin, Donald Ray Henry & Ivy Chauvin

South Lafourche, Windell Curole

SLFPAW, John Monzon

North Lafourche, Author Ostheimer

St. Mary, Bill Hidalgo

Terrebonne Parish, Reggie Dupre

Absent:

Plaquemines, Shane Landry

Pontchartrain Levee District, Monica Gorman

Atchafalaya, Will Tyson

Jefferson Davis

Lafitte Area Independent Levee

Non-Flood Protection Asset Management Authority

The Sewage and Water Board of New Orleans

St. Tammany Parish, Pat Brister

SLFPAE, Nyka Scott

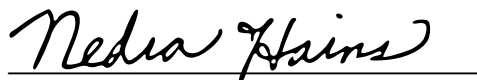
Guests: Melissa Clouter, Richard Traina, Bob Jacobsen, Hilary Thibodeaux, Laurie Cormier – (Calcasieu Parish Police Jury, on the phone).

CPRA: Ignacio Harrouch

- II. Approval of Agenda – quorum 11/19 Ray Fremin 1st Reggie Dupre 2nd no public comment, passed Amendment of Agenda – Add discussion about Letter to Senators McConnell and Schumer about the Assistant Secretary of the Army, Civil Works (ASA) nomination of the Honorable RD James. Bill Hidalgo 1st, Dietmar Rietscher 2nd, no public comment, passed.
- III. Approval of Minutes – Bill Hidalgo 1st, Ray Fremin 2nd, no public comment, passed

- IV. Motion to send Letter to Senators McConnell and Schumer about the Assistant Secretary of the Army, Civil Works (ASA) nomination of the Honorable RD James. Windell will send new draft out to the board for approval before it goes out. Bill Hidalgo 1st, Reggie Dupre, 2nd. No comment, passed.
- V. Levee Districts' Tax Proposal – Ray Fremin discussed the current situation in Iberia, which will go to the ballot this month. A separate coalition was formed to help pass this vision. Bill Hidalgo discussed his levee district and risk involved in going to the ballot. Windell – levee districts without funding, you can get private funds, but the O&M is the stopping block even if you can build with grant funding sources. Reggie Dupre: Regional Coalition needed to take policy issues. Chenier Plain Authority – Earl Landry/ Nedra Hains: discussed the issues with Chenier Plain Authority. Reggie: discussed the history of the east levee districts and how the reforms happened. Reggie: 2007 Morganza to the Gulf issues discussed, build federal project with no federal funds.
- VI. Resolution on Operation and Maintenance from GOMESA Reggie Dupre 1st, Earl Landry 2nd, David Carmardelle has questions – if my board members don't support, then I need to get in touch with them. Ricky from Grand Isle doesn't know anything about this. Windell will get corrections made and out to the board – add s to misspelling of GOMESA at the bottom. John Monzon went to board in July. Chris Roberts in Jefferson who opposed. Passed unanimous.
- VII. Needed State Legislation – 1. Advertisements with bidding defects that is non-substantive, which holds up the process. Amendment to the revised statute needed. Judge to certify what was technical or substantive change in bid. Administrative processes are lengthy. Want expedited process.
- VIII. Public Comment – no public comment. Bob Jacobsen gave a paper that was passed to everyone I want y'all to read and comment back to Windell. Nedra Hains: please give digital copy to send out to those not here. Hillary Thibodeaux made comments about broken marsh and mitigation.
- IX. Adjourn 2:56PM Bill Hidalgo 1st. John Monzon 2nd.

ATTEST:



Nedra Hains
Vice President