

**Fifth Louisiana Levee District  
October 13, 2021**

The Board of Commissioners for the Fifth Louisiana Levee District met in regular session on Wednesday, October 13, 2021, at the Levee Board Office, 102 Burnside Drive, Tallulah, LA at 9:00 a.m. President Reynold Minsky called the meeting to order. Commissioners Hiram Copeland, John David Frith, Clark Hill, James Kelly, Barry Maxwell, and Jack Varner were in attendance.

Visitors included Levee District Attorney, Johnnie Crigler and Dylan McIntosh, DOTD.

After no public comments were made, the Board approved August minutes on a motion by Commissioner Hill 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Frith.

Commissioners reviewed and approved claims submitted for August and September on motion by Commissioner Maxwell, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Kelly, after hearing no public comments. Commissioners reviewed financial statements for same time period.

On motion by Commissioner Frith, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Hill, Board agreed to advertise two upcoming agricultural leases. No public comments were offered.

After hearing no public comments, Board agreed to add an additional one-year warranty to the four 2016 JD 6195 tractors. Motion was made by Commissioner Frith, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Hill.

Hearing no public comments, a motion was made by Commissioner Frith, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Hill to approve permit request from George Shephard seeking permission to install an irrigation pump approximately 255 ft from the toe of the levee and install approximately 1600 ft of water line. Line falls within 1500 ft. of the Mainline Mississippi River Levee in Madison Parish. Approval was granted subject to USACE and DOTD approval.

Board considered permit request from Somerset Plantation seeking permission to re-install power line removed as required but Item 416-R in Tensas Parish. Line is approximately 1500 ft long and will fall 15' from the toe of the newly constructed levee. After hearing no public comments, approval was granted, subject to USACE and DOTD approval, on a motion made by Commissioner Varner, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Hill.

On motion by Commissioner Hill, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Maxwell, Board approved permit request from Michael Rodrigue seeking permission to construct a cross fence and install two locked gates across the Mainline Mississippi River Levee in Concordia Parish over a portion of the newly abandoned portion of Maxwell Road. No public comments were offered.

There being no other business to consider, the meeting was adjourned on motion by Commissioner Maxwell, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Hill.

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Reynold Minsky, President

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Jason Trichell, Supt. of Oper.