

For the Fifth Louisiana Levee District met in regular session on Wednesday, July 9, 2014, at the Levee Board Office, 102 Burnside Drive, Tallulah, LA at 9:00 a.m. President Reynold Minsky called the meeting to order. Commissioners Scott Tiffée, John David Frith, Sam Hill, James Kelly, Barry Maxwell, and Pat Mabray answered roll call.

Visitors included Kent Parish, USACE; Ryan McMillan, DOTD; and Melvin Hicks, DOTD.

After no public comments were made, the Board approved June minutes by a motion by Commissioner Frith, 2nd by Commissioner Hill,

Commissioners reviewed and approved claims submitted for June on motion by Commissioner Maxwell, 2nd by Commissioner Kelly, after hearing no public comments. Commissioners reviewed financial statements for June.

Commissioners considered a resolution reaffirming the Levee District's 2014 tax millage for East Carroll, Madison, Tensas, and Concordia parishes at 3.86 mills. After no public comments were offered, the resolution was approved by Commissioners Tiffée, Frith, Hill, Minsky, Kelly, Maxwell, and Mabray voting *oyea*.

Commissioners considered a resolution reaffirming the Levee District's 2014 acreage tax for East Carroll, Madison, Tensas, and Concordia Parishes at five cents per acre. Motion passed with Commissioners Tiffée, Hill, Minsky, Maxwell, and Kelly voting *oyea*, Commissioners Frith and Mabray voting *no*.

On motion by Commissioner Kelly, 2nd by Commissioner Tiffée, Board approved resolution adopting FY2013-2014 Budget Amendments. No public comments were offered.

After no public comments were offered, the Board approved a resolution on motion made by Commissioner Tiffée, 2nd by Commissioner Frith, giving USACE, New Orleans District, rights-of-entry, including ingress and egress, in Concordia Parish for a two-year period beginning July 24, 2014 at the S.A. Murray Hydro-Power Plant.

The Board considered a request from Wilcox Energy seeking permission to drill an oil well within 1500 ft. of the Backline Levee in Concordia Parish near Nichols Road. On motion by Commissioner Hill, 2nd by Commissioner Tiffée, approval was granted, subject to USACE and DOTD approval, after hearing no public comments.

After no public comments were offered, on motion by Commissioner Frith, 2nd by Commissioner Mabray, the Board approved a permit request from AT&T to replace a copper cable over the Backline Levee in Concordia Parish at Minorca Road. Approval granted subject to USACE and DOTD.

After no public comments were offered, on motion by Commissioner Maxwell, 2nd by Commissioner Tiffée, the Board approved a permit request, subject to USACE and DOTD, from Paradigm Energy to drill 2 exploratory oil wells within 1500 ft. of the Mainline Mississippi River Levee near Item 374-R in Concordia Parish.

The Board considered a request from Gage Energy seeking permission to drill an oil well within 1500 ft. of the Mainline Mississippi River Levee near the HydroElectric Plant in Concordia Parish. After hearing no public comments, the Board approved the request, subject to USACE and DOTD, on motion by Commissioner Mabray, 2nd by Commissioner Maxwell.

There being no other business to consider, the meeting was adjourned on motion by Commissioner Frith, 2nd by Commissioner Tiffée.