

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE
NATCHITOCHES LEVEE AND DRAINAGE DISTRICT
February 10, 2026
6:00 p.m.**

BE IT KNOWN that a Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Natchitoches Levee and Drainage District was called to order at Valley Farmer's Co-Op, 250 Rapides Drive, Natchitoches, Louisiana, on February 10, 2026, with a quorum being present, and roll was called as follows, to-wit:

Board Members present were:

Karlton Methvin, President/Administrator
Mark Swafford, Member
Terry Sklar, Member
Casey Messenger Member
Nolan Jones, Jr. Member
Jolley Nash, Member
Travis Tyler, Member

Absent were:

Rayburn Smith, Member

Also present were:

Billy Dunn, Maintenance Superintendent
Jarmarquis Torrence, DOTD Engineer
Luke Miller, Meyer, Meyer, Lacroix & Hixson
Susan Douglas, Meyer, Meyer, Lacroix & Hixson
Jordan Lemoine, Edko, LLC
Jay Wilson, Guest

The regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Natchitoches Levee & Drainage District was called to order at 6:00 p.m by the President, Karlton Methvin.

The January, 2026 minutes were read and discussed. Following public comment, a Motion was made by Sklar and seconded by Tyler to approve the January, 2026 minutes. The Motion passed unanimously.

The December, 2025 financial statement was not available at the last meeting and thus was reviewed and discussed. The

January, 2026 financial statement was not ready at the time of the Board meeting, but the Board did review and discuss the January, 2026 check register. Following public comment, a Motion was made by Swafford and seconded by Sklar to approve the December, 2025 financial statement and the January, 2026 check register. The Motion passed unanimously.

The maintenance report was given by Billy Dunn, Maintenance Superintendent. Dunn advised that the crew had been working on the section of levee on the Campti cut-off where an old fence and vegetation were encroaching on the levee right of way. Dunn spoke with the landowner and received permission to remove the fence. His crew was working on removing the fence and clearing the vegetation.

Dunn further reported that his crew had been working on repairing potholes and ruts in this area of the levee as well.

Jamarquis Torrence, DOTD Engineer reported there was nothing of significance to report from DOTD.

Susan Douglas with Meyer, Meyer, LaCroix & Hixsen gave a brief update on the Powhatan project. She indicated Meyer, Meyer, LaCroix & Hixsen would making application soon to the Corps of Engineers. She further indicated that some of this work may be in a wetland area which would be addressed with the Corps.

In other business, President Methvin advised that the lease on our two tractors was coming up in April. Both tractors have approximately 800 hours on them. The tractors are two years old. A discussion followed as to whether the Board should keep the two tractors we have or turn them in and lease two new tractors. An inquiry was made as to whether we could purchase from John Deere an extended warranty on the tractors that we have. The number of hours on each tractor is relatively low and Methvin advised that he would check on an extended warranty and report to the Board at the next meeting.

Jordan Lemoine with Edko, Inc. presented to the Board the proposed 2026 spraying contract. The total price was \$236,589.51. There was discussion among Board members regarding some additional spraying, but it was determined that the Board should accept the current contract as presented and if additional spraying is needed at a later date address the issue at that time. A Motion was made by Swafford and seconded by Sklar to accept the Edko spraying contract as presented. Following public comment, the Motion passed unanimously.

Methvin inquired as to whether we wished to change the meeting time from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. beginning with the March meeting. Corkern advised that we usually change the meeting time at the March and October meetings. Following discussion, it was decided that we would change the meeting time at the March meeting.

There being no further business to come before the Board a Motion was made by Sklar and seconded by Messenger to adjourn. The Motion passed unanimously.

Approved on the 10th day of March, 2026, at Natchitoches, Louisiana, at a regularly held meeting.

RONALD E. CORKERN, JR.,
Attorney/Assistant Secretary