

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE
NATCHITOCHES LEVEE AND DRAINAGE DISTRICT**

April 8, 2025

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 April 8, 2025, with a quorum being present, and roll was called as follows, to-wit:

Board Members present were:

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

Absent were:

None

Also present were:

Billy Dunn, Maintenance Superintendent
Jarmarquis Torrence, DOTD Engineer
Jordan Lemoine, Edko, LLC

The regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Natchitoches Levee & Drainage District was called to order at 7:00 p.m by the President, Karlton Methvin.

The March, 2025 minutes were read and discussed. Following public comment, a Motion was made by Sklar and seconded by Nash to approve the March, 2025 minutes. The Motion passed unanimously.

The February, 2025 financial statement was not available at the last meeting and thus was reviewed and discussed at this meeting. Following public comment, a Motion was made by Sklar and seconded by Tyler to approve the February, 2025 financial

statement. The Motion passed unanimously. Corkern advised that the March, 2025 financial statement was not available for review, but the Board did review and discuss the check register for March, 2025. No action was required. The March, 2025 Financial Statement will be reviewed at the next Board meeting.

Billy Dunn, Maintenance Superintendent, reported that his group had finished clearing all of the vegetation around the various structures and pipes. They have closed some of the gates because of the high water and will close a few gates tomorrow.

Jamarquis Torrence, DOTD Engineer, reported on when the Mississippi river would crest at various locations. None of the high water should affect us.

Karlton Methvin led a discussion regarding the Odra. For the past several months there have been inquiries from various individuals regarding maintenance of the roadway on the Odra levee. This levee crosses through the Federal Reserve. Corkern provided the Commission with a copy of the contract between the Federal Government and the Natchitoches Parish Government. The Federal Government paid for rocking the levee roadway and the Parish Administration assumed the responsibility for all maintenance. The Board asked Corkern to write letter to the President of the Parish, John Salter, providing him with a copy of the contract and informing him the Natchitoches Levee & Drainage District had received several requests for maintenance work to be performed in this location.

In other business, Corkern again reminded the Board that the Association of Levee Boards of Louisiana's Annual Workshop would be held in Baton Rouge on May 1 and 2, 2025. Corkern encouraged Board Members to attend and requested they notify either himself or Tina to make reservations if they were able to do so.

Corkern also reminded the Board to complete the ethics online training if they had not already done so.

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

Approved on the 13th day of May, 2025, at Natchitoches, Louisiana, at a regularly held meeting.

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