**MINUTES OF MEETING**

**TECHE-VERMILION FRESH WATER DISTRICT**

**JULY 23, 2018**

**The Board of Commissioners met on the above date at the Teche-Vermilion Fresh Water District office located at 315 S College, Suite 110, Lafayette, LA at 10:00 a.m. Members present were Mr. Ed Sonnier, Mr. Tommy Thibodeaux, Mr. Donald Segura, Mr. Ralph Libersat, and Mr. Bradley Grimmett. In addition present were: Mr. John Istre, Mr. Alex Lopresto, Mr. Larry Cramer, Ms. Jody White, Mr. Todd Vincent, Mr. Donald Sagrera, Mr. Tom Carroll, Mr. David Dalquist, Ms. Baylee McGuinness, Ms. Connie Castille, Mrs. Patty Holland, Ms. Sue Bergeron, and Ms. Wendy Dupuis.**

**At this time of the Public Meeting, the Chairman called for any public comment regarding the Agenda. There was no comment.**

**Upon motion by Mr. Thibodeaux and seconded by Mr. Segura, the minutes of the previous meeting of June 25, 2018 were accepted and approved. Motion carried.**

**Upon motion by Mr. Thibodeaux and seconded by Mr. Libersat, the agenda was amended for the Teche-Project. Motion carried.**

**Ms. Connie Castille and Mr. David Dalquist with Teche-Project requested that the district participate in the installation of one of several Kiosks along Bayou Teche. The Kiosk sponsored by the district would be located in Port Barre and would explain the operation and benefits for the Teche-Vermilion Fresh Water District Project. Additional, they announced the Shake your trail feather festival will be held on October 20, 2018 at Parc due Pont.**

**Upon motion by Mr. Libersat and seconded by Mr. Thibodeaux, the board approved Teche-Project Kiosk for $7,500.00. Motion carried.**

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**Sellers & Associates presented an update on the Siphon Project stating the Contractor is progressively moving forward.**

**Mr. Tom Carroll with Sellers and Associates presented the Financial Benefit Study. If Teche Vermilion Fresh Water District did not provide fresh water into Vermilion River and Bayou Teche, waste water plants would have to be upgraded to increase standards costing millions of dollars to municipalities. Teche Vermilion Fresh Water District not operating would have a catastrophic economic impact throughout the district.**

**The Board would like to congratulate Iberia Parish Commissioner Mr. Donald Segura for reigning as the 2018 Sugar Cane Festival King.**

**Upon motion by Mr. Libersat and seconded by Mr. Thibodeaux, the Financial Statements and the 2nd Quarter Budget Comparisons for the period ended June 30, 2018 were accepted and approved. Motion carried.**

**Upon motion by Mr. Libersat and seconded by Mr. Donald Segura, the 2017 Audit Report was accepted and approved. Motion carried.**

**Upon motion by Mr. Segura and seconded by Mr. Thibodeaux, the adoption of the 2018 Investment Policy was accepted and approved. Motion carried.**

**Upon motion by Mr. Thibodeaux and seconded by Mr. Donald Segura, the Board approve to advertise for a Fiscal Agent and publish that we are accepting proposals. Motion carried.**

**Upon motion by Mr. Thibodeaux and seconded by Mr. Libersat, the board approved a cost estimate of $4,400.00 for surveying staff gauges near the Bayou Courtableau Drainage Structure and Lake Pelba. Motion carried.**

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**Upon motion by Mr Thibodeaux and seconded by Mr Libersat, the board approved receiving cost proposals to survey the Inlet Channel for possible dredging in the future. Motion carried.**

**Upon motion by Mr Segura and seconded by Mr. Libersat, the board approved the expenses for the Commissioners and staff to attend the ALBL and MVFCA conference in New Orleans on December 5-8, 2018. Motion carried.**

**Upon motion by Mr. Libersat and seconded by Mr. Segura, the board approved expenses for the Commissioners and staff to attend the Low water inspection and public hearing by the Mississippi River Commission in Morgan City on August 23 & 24, 2018. Motion carried.**

**The district pumped 10,897,600,000 for a total of 30 days for the month of June 2018.**

**Annual Inspection meeting is scheduled for Friday, October 26, 2018**

**Upon motion by Mr. Thibodeaux and seconded by Mr. Segura, the board approved purchasing a brand new 1500 hp electric motor for Pump #4. Motion carried.**

**Upon motion by Mr. Thibodeaux and seconded by Mr. Libersat, no further business was brought forth, therefore the meeting adjourned.**