
**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE
LONG BEACH WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
JULY 15, 2021**

The regular meeting of the Long Beach Water Management District was convened on Thursday, July 15, 2021, at the law firm of Dukes, Dukes, Keating & Faneca, P.A., Gulfport, Mississippi.

On roll call, the following Commissioners were found to be present as follows:

David W. Marshall
Brett Mallette
Mary Ladner

Also present was Long Beach resident John Jenkins, Ben Benvenuti with Covington Engineering and general counsel, Je'Nell Blum with the law firm of Dukes, Dukes, Keating & Faneca, P.A., see copy of the public sign-in sheet attached hereto as **Exhibit "1"**.

A quorum of Commissioners was found to be present.

Commissioner Mallette entered the Notice of Meeting which was posted prior to the meeting. A copy of this notice is attached hereto as **Exhibit "2"**.

Upon Motion duly made by Commissioner Marshall, seconded by Commissioner Ladner, and unanimously carried, the Minutes for June 17, 2021 Regular meeting were approved. A copy of the Minutes is attached hereto as **Exhibit "3"**.

Upon Motion duly made by Commissioner Ladner, seconded by Commissioner Marshall and unanimously carried, the Docket of Claims for July 15, 2021, was approved. A copy of the Docket of Claims is attached hereto as **Exhibit "4"**.

Upon Motion duly made by Commissioner Marshall, seconded by Commissioner Ladner, and unanimously carried, the Resolution for Attorneys Fees for the period of June 10, 2021 through July 13, 2021, in the amount of \$9,008.50 was approved, see Resolution attached hereto as **Exhibit "5"**.

A discussion was held with resident John Jenkins regarding flooding on his daughter's property located on Simmons Drive in Long Beach. Ben Benvenuti with Covington Engineering researched the property in question and informed Mr. Jenkins that he would speak to Joe Culpepper with the City of Long Beach regarding the flooding. Mr. Jenkins provided photographs of the flooding. See Photos attached hereto as **Exhibit "6"**.

A discussion was held regarding Canal No. 1 design project and Ben Benvenuti with Covington provided a status update stating that comments from the NRCS were

expected by the end of the week and that a preliminary meeting was held with the City Engineer and Public Works Department on Kux Road. Ben stated that they had no concerns about moving Kux Road and saw the plan as a benefit to the City and a benefit to the canal. Ben also stated that a meeting was scheduled with Mayor Bass of the City of Long Beach for July 19, 2021. See Project Status Report attached hereto as **Exhibit "7"**.

A brief discussion was held regarding the Canal No. 1 Improvement Project. Ben Benvenuti with Covington Engineering provided a status updates stating that a Tree Permit Application had been submitted to the City of Long Beach, however, no response had yet been received. **See Exhibit "7"**.

A discussion was held regarding the Canal No. 1 easement project. Stacey Schultz provided a status update as to the number of easements which have been obtained and the number of easement acquisitions still in progress. No further action taken.


A brief discussion was held regarding the Storm Debris Removal Project. Ben Benvenuti with Covington Engineering stated that the NRCS had been notified that the LBWMD is active on Sam.gov and as of the date of the meeting, no funds had been received for the debris removal project. No further action was taken.

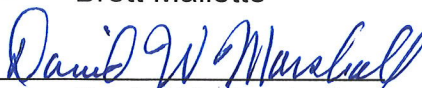
A discussion was held regarding the USACE Project for Canal 2/3. Ben Benvenuti with Covington provided a brief update stating that the work is scheduled to begin in late August or September and that the USACE indicated that they will remove debris from Canal 2/3 with the channel banks and the access roads. **See Exhibit "7"** attached hereto.

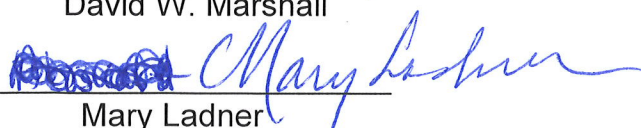
A discussion was held regarding the Appeal to FEMA for debris removal emergency funding in response to Hurricane Zeta. The Appeal was filed, however, no ruling or response has been received from FEMA as of the date of the meeting. No further action was taken.

The next meeting of the Long Beach Water Management District was scheduled to be held on August 26, 2021.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, and upon Motion duly made by Commissioner Marshall, seconded by Commissioner Ladner, and unanimously carried, the meeting of the Long Beach Water Management District was adjourned.


Brett Mallette


David W. Marshall


Mary Ladner