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**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
LONG BEACH WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT  
FEBRUARY 17, 2022**

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The regular meeting of the Long Beach Water Management District was convened on Thursday, February 17, 2022, at the law offices of Dukes, Dukes, Keating & Faneca, P.A., 2909 13<sup>th</sup> Avenue, 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 Ben Benvenutti with Covington Engineering and general counsel, Bobby R. Long and Je'Nell B. 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 Ladner, seconded by Commissioner Marshall, and unanimously carried, the Minutes for January 20, 2022 Regular meeting were approved. A copy of the Minutes is attached hereto as **Exhibit "3"**.

Upon Motion duly made by Commissioner Marshall, seconded by Commissioner Ladner and unanimously carried, the Docket of Claims for February 17, 2022, was approved. A copy of the Docket of Claims is attached hereto as **Exhibit "4"**.

Upon Motion duly made by Commissioner Ladner, seconded by Commissioner Marshall, and unanimously carried, the Resolution for Attorneys Fees for the period of January 20, 2022 through February 15, 2022, in the amount of \$7,213.55 was approved, see Resolution attached hereto as **Exhibit "5"**.

A discussion was held regarding Canal No. 1 Improvement project and Ben Benvenutti with Covington provided a status update stating that the NRCS approved the funding request, with no further action taken. See Report attached hereto as **Exhibit "6"**.

A discussion was held regarding the Canal No. 1 Easement Project, with no further action taken.

A discussion was held regarding the January 2022 Bank Statement for the LBWMD account and deposits made from special tax assessments. No further action was taken.

A brief discussion was held regarding the Storm Debris Removal Project. Ben Benvenuti with Covington Engineering stated that bids for the project were received and stated that Covington recommended awarding the contact to JE Talley Construction, Inc. See Report attached hereto as **Exhibit "6"**. Upon Motion duly made by Commissioner Ladner, seconded by Commissioner Marshall, and unanimously carried, the Commissioners approved a Resolution acknowledging Receipt of Bids and making the Tentative Award to JE Talley Construction, Inc. for the Debris Removal Project in Canals 1 and 2/3 for Debris Associated with Hurricane Zeta. Said Resolution is attached hereto as **Exhibit "7"**.


A discussion was held regarding the USACE Project for Canal 2/3. Ben Benvenuti with Covington stated that USACE is negotiating with separate contractors to award the project within the budget. See Report attached as **Exhibit "6"**.

A discussion was held regarding follow up with the Holloways for canal bank stabilization. Ben with Covington stated that he inspected the property and made recommendations to the Holloways. No further action was taken.

The next meeting of the Long Beach Water Management District was scheduled to be held on March 17, 2022.

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

  
Brett Mallette

  
David W. Marshall

  
Mary Ladner