
**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE
LONG BEACH WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
MARCH 16, 2023**

The regular meeting of the Long Beach Water Management District was convened on Thursday, March 16, 2023, at the Law Offices of Dukes, Dukes, Keating & Faneca, P.A., 2909 13th Street, 6th Floor, Gulfport, Mississippi.

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

David W. Marshall
Brett Mallette
Mary Ladner (Absent)

Also present were Ben Benvenuti and Sarah McLellan with Covington Civil and Environmental, and general counsel, Je'Nell Blum and Haley Schultz with the law firm of Dukes, Dukes, Keating & Faneca, P.A., and Candi Holloway, resident of the City of Long Beach, see copy of the public sign-in sheet attached hereto as **Exhibit "1"**.

A quorum of Commissioners was found to be present.

The Notice of Meeting was entered, 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 Mallette, and unanimously carried, the Minutes for February 16, 2023, 2023, 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 Mallette, and unanimously carried, the Docket of Claims for March 16, 2023, 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 Mallette, and unanimously carried, the Resolution for Attorneys Fees for the period of February 16, 2023 through March 14, 2023, in the amount of \$2,963.40 was approved, see Resolution attached hereto as **Exhibit "5"**.

A discussion was held with city of Long Beach resident Candi Holloway regarding concerns she has associated with some erosion behind a self installed bulkhead on the bank of Canal 2/3, which runs behind her residence off of Pineville Road. Ben Benvenuti with Covington Engineering discussed findings from a report he prepared in 2017 wherein he conducted a site visit to her property and addressed the nature of a sinkhole and damage resulting from runoff water on her property. The Commissioners requested that Ben re-visit Mrs. Holloway's property to re-evaluate the factors in play with her concerns. No further action was taken.

A discussion was held regarding the status of the Canal No. 1 Improvement project.

Ben Benvenuti with Covington provided a status update stating that the Project Agreement documents had been submitted to the NRCS and that a meeting was being planned to be scheduled for March. Ben further stated that they received approval of the tree permit from the City of Long Beach. See Project Status Report dated March 16, 2023 attached hereto as **Exhibit "6"**.

A discussion was held regarding the Castine Point Development. Ben Benvenuti provided an update stating that the contractor had completed the repairs to the drainage structure and that they would be scheduling a site inspection. See report attached hereto as **Exhibit "6"**.

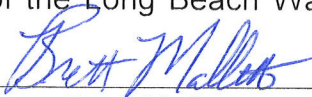
A discussion was held regarding the status of the Land Rights Map. Ben Benvenuti with Covington provided a status update. Ben stated that the draft was in a posture to be submitted to the NRCS for review and the Commissioners authorized Ben to submit same to the NRCS. See Project Status Report dated March 16, 2023 attached hereto as **Exhibit "6"**.

A discussion was held regarding the USACE Project for Canal 2/3. Ben Benvenuti stated that the USACE had awarded the contract and that a tentative construction kick-off meeting was scheduled for March 21, 2023. Ben further stated that all materials for said project were anticipated to be on-site my March 31, 2023. See Report attached hereto as **Exhibit "6"**.

A discussion was held regarding the status of the Maintenance Plan for Canal No. 1 and Canal 2/3 as required by the USACE. Ben Benvenuti stated that a draft email was created to submit to the USACE to request an amendment to the OMRRR to allow for centerline surveying every other year and using alternative means of surveying. The Commissioners gave their approval of the wording of the email and requested that the email be submitted to the USACE. No further action was taken. See report attached hereto as **Exhibit "6"**.

The next meeting of the Long Beach Water Management District was scheduled to be held on Thursday, April 20, 2023.

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



Brett Mallette



David W. Marshall

Absent

Mary Ladner