
**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE
LONG BEACH WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
OCTOBER 19, 2023**

The regular meeting of the Long Beach Water Management District was convened on Thursday, October 19, 2023, at Covington Civil and Environmental, 2300 14th Street, Gulfport, Mississippi 39501.

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

David W. Marshall
Brett Mallette
Mary Ladner (Absent)

Also present were Sarah McLellan and Ben Benvenuti with Covington Civil and Environmental, Dave Cornfeld, Robert Compton, and Kyle Cassagn, representatives from JLB Contractors, Olguy Louis and Norman Patterson, representatives of the Natural Resources Conservation Service, 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.

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 Agenda for the October 19, 2023 meeting was adopted. A copy of the October 19, 2023 Agenda is attached hereto as **Exhibit "3"**.

Upon Motion duly made by Commissioner Marshall, seconded by Commissioner Mallette, and unanimously carried, the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 21, 2023 were approved. A copy of the Minutes for September 21, 2023 is attached hereto as **Exhibit "4"**.

Upon Motion duly made by Commissioner Marshall, seconded by Commissioner Mallette, and unanimously carried, the Docket of Claims for October 19, 2023, was approved. A copy of the Docket of Claims is attached hereto as **Exhibit "5"**.

Upon Motion duly made by Commissioner Marshall, seconded by Commissioner Mallette, and unanimously carried, the Resolution for Attorneys Fees for the period of September 19, 2023 through October 16, 2023 was approved, see Resolution attached hereto as **Exhibit "6"**.

Upon further discussion regarding Canal No. 1 Improvement Project, Sarah McLellan with Covington provided an update stating that the NRCS had reviewed the contracts and that the pre-construction meeting was scheduled with the NRCS, JLB, and

Covington for October 19, 2023. See Project Status Report attached hereto as **Exhibit "7"**.

A discussion was held regarding the USACE Project for Canal 2/3 and Sarah McLellan with Covington provided a status update stating that Ben Benvenuti, Sarah McLellan and David Marshall had attended the final walk-through inspection with the USACE and Contractor on September 20, 2023. Sarah further stated that Joe Culpepper approved the lay down area after it had been cleared of debris and equipment by the USACE and that locks would be placed on the new gates at Beatline and Espy. See Report attached hereto as **Exhibit "7"**.

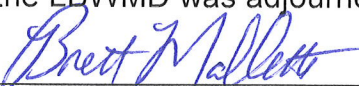
A discussion was held regarding the status of the Maintenance Plan for Canal No. 1 and Canal 2/3 as required by the USACE. Sarah with Covington stated that once the amended OMRRR is provided by USACE, the Maintenance Plan will be updated and finalized. Sarah further stated that the USACE indicated that the OMRRR will be amended and updated once the Canal 2/3 project is completely closed out. See Report attached hereto as **Exhibit "7"**.

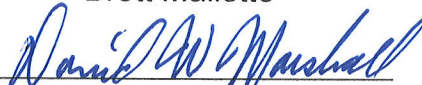
A discussion was held regarding the Budget for Fiscal Year 2024. The Commissioners concluded that this matter would be tabled until the next meeting wherein all 3 Commissioners would be present. No further action was taken.


A discussion was held regarding Work Authorization No. 33 presented by Covington Civil and Environmental to replace a previous Work Authorization for as-needed services, which was due to expire. Upon Motion duly made by Commissioner Marshall, seconded by Commissioner Mallette, and unanimously carried, the Resolution Authorizing and Approving Work Authorization No. 33 was approved. A copy of said Resolution is attached hereto as **Exhibit "8"**.

The next meeting of the Long Beach Water Management District was scheduled to be held on Thursday, November 16, 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 LBWMD was adjourned.


Brett Mallette


David W. Marshall


Mary Ladner