MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE LONG BEACH WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT MAY 23, 2024

The regular meeting of the Long Beach Water Management District was convened on Thursday, May 23, 2024, at the Law Offices of Dukes, Keating, Hatten, McRaney, Blum, P.A.

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

David W. Marshall Brett Mallette Mary Ladner

Also present were Sarah McLellan with Covington Civil and Environmental and general counsel, Je'Nell Blum with the law firm of Dukes, Keating, Hatten, McRaney, Blum, 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 May 23, 2024 meeting was adopted. A copy of the May 23, 2024 Agenda is attached hereto as **Exhibit "3"**.

A brief discussion was held regarding old business, more specifically, the relocation of a Mississippi Power Co. Power Pole. Sarah with Covington stated that she included an update in her monthly project report and would address the matter when providing an update as to the Canal No. 1 Project during the course of the meeting.

Upon Motion duly made by Commissioner Ladner, seconded by Commissioner Marshall, and unanimously carried, the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of April 29, 2024 were approved. A copy of the Minutes for April 29, 2024 is attached hereto as **Exhibit "4"**.

Upon Motion duly made by Commissioner Marshall, seconded by Commissioner Ladner, and unanimously carried, the Docket of Claims for May 23, 2024, was approved. A copy of the Docket of Claims is attached hereto as **Exhibit "5"**.

Upon Motion duly made by Commissioner Ladner, seconded by Commissioner Marshall, and unanimously carried, the Resolution for Attorneys Fees for the period of April

29, 2024 through May 21, 2024 was approved, see Resolution attached hereto as **Exhibit** "6".

A discussion was held regarding the Canal No. 1 Improvement Project. Upon Motion duly made by Commissioner Ladner, seconded by Commissioner Marshall, and unanimously carried, the Resolution Approving Request for Advance or Reimbursement for Pay Application No. 6 and Authorizing and Directing Chairman to Execute on Behalf of the Long Beach Water Management District for the Canal No. 1 Improvement Project was approved. See Resolution attached hereto as **Exhibit "7"**; and

Upon Motion duly made by Commissioner Ladner, seconded by Commissioner Marshall, and unanimously carried, the Resolution approving Federal Financial Report and Authorizing and Directing Chairman to Execute on Behalf of the Long Beach Water Management District for the Canal No. 1 Improvement Project was approved. See Resolution attached hereto as **Exhibit** "8".

A discussion was held regarding Canal No. 1 Improvement Project. Sarah McLellan with Covington provided an update stating that they are waiting for the relocation costs from Mississippi Power for power pole conflict at Station 49+00. Sarah further stated that once approved, Pay Application No. 6, SF 270 Form, and Engineer's Invoice will be submitted to NRCS for reimbursement. Sarah indicated that once the Semi-Annual Performance Report and Financial Report are approved, they will be submitted to the NRCS. Sarah stated that on May 21, 2024, a meeting was held with property owners, being the Muellers, along with the Contractor to discuss and coordinate the removal of the bridge located on their property that crosses the canal, as well as the fences and excavated material. Finally, Sarah stated that the Contractor has excavated up to Station 50+00 (avoiding the power pole area) and currently clearing between Beatline and Pineville, with most of the north side of the Canal complete and that the Contractor is also constructing Kux Road roadway base. See Project Status Report attached hereto as **Exhibit "9"**.

Upon further discussions regarding Canal No. 1 Improvement Project, the Commissioners requested that legal counsel prepare a letter to the City of Long Beach regarding donating Kux Road to the City upon completion of the project. The Commissioners further requested that a letter be drafted to the Mueller's regarding specified criteria for when they rebuild the bridge across the canal on their property. No further action was taken.

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 they had provided feedback to the USACE and that they are waiting for the final OMRRR Manual. See Report attached hereto as **Exhibit "9"**.

A discussion was held regarding quotes for Chemical Spray Project. Upon Motion duly made by Commissioner Marshall, seconded by Commissioner Ladner, and unanimously carried, the Resolution Authorizing and Approving Contract with Chempro Service, Inc. For Chemical Spray Project on Canal 2/3 was approved. See Resolution attached hereto as **Exhibit "11"**.

The next meeting of the Long Beach Water Management District was scheduled to be held on Thursday, June 27, 2024.

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 LBWMD was adjourned.

Brett Mallette

David W. Marshall

Mary Ladner

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