



Parish of Ascension
East Ascension Consolidated Gravity
Drainage District No. 1
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EA DRAINAGE DISTRICT #1
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING

November 7, 2023 - 6:00 PM
607 East Worthey Street, Gonzales, La. 70737

MINUTES

- (1) **Call To Order / Roll Call of Commissioners-**
The meeting was called to order at 6:01pm by Chairwoman Casso. All were present with the exception of Commissioners Robert, Orgeron, Lambert and Waguespack.
- (2) **INVOCATION / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE-**
Commissioner Cagnolatti led the invocation and pledge of allegiance.
- (3) **Public Comments Period/Additions To Agenda-**
Chairwoman Casso opened the floor for public comment. There is one speaker to speak in support of item 6f.
- (4) **ACCEPTANCE OF THE MINUTES**
 - a. Acceptance of the September 12, 2023 meeting minutes.

There was a motion by Commissioner Mason and a second by Commissioner Cagnolatti. No Objections. Motion Passes.
- (5) **Chairman's Report / Announcements-**
Chairwoman Casso announced there are none.
- (6) **GENERAL BUSINESS**
 - a. Approval of Change Order No. 1 to the contract with ERS Inc., for Channel Lining Improvements at Sides Bayou, Courthouse Lateral & Bayou Francois Lateral to add to the contract amount the sum of \$2,984.00. The new contract total is \$745,726.00 (Presentation to be presented) (Jared Monceaux, P.E.)

There was a motion made by Commissioner Cagnolatti and a second by Vice Chairman Lawler. There was a discussion. No Objections. Motion Passes.
 - b. Approval of Substantial Completion of the Channel Lining Improvements at Sides Bayou, Courthouse Lateral & Bayou Francois Lateral with ERS, Inc. (Jared Monceaux, P.E.)

There was a motion made by Commissioner Mason and a second by Commissioner Cagnolatti. No Objections. Motion Passes.

- c. Approval of Substantial Completion of the CIPP Pipe Lining Old Perkins/Manchac area in the amount of \$158,019.42 with Anding Construction Services, LLC (Ron Savoy, Public Works Director).

There was a motion made by Commissioner Mason and a second by Commissioner Melancon. No Objections. Motion Passes.

- d. Approval of Resolution to purchase parcel #8780500 located at 11191 Beco Rd. with an appraised value of \$135,000.00. (Ron Savoy, Public Works Director)

There was a discussion. Commissioner Melancon made a motion and a second made by Commissioner Cagnolatti. No Objections. Motion Passes.

- e. Approval to enter into an agreement between the United States Geological Survey (USGS) and the East Ascension Consolidated Gravity Drainage District #1 during the period of January 1, 2024 for maintenance and operation of fifteen real-time stream gages. The total cost to operate the program is \$135,430.00. (USGS) will contribute \$33,000.00 and East Ascension Consolidate Gravity Drainage District #1 contribution is \$102,430.00. (Ron Savoy, Public Works Director).

Vice Chairman Lawler made a motion and a second made by Commissioner Mason. No Objections. Motion Passes.

- f. Approval of replacement of a timber bridge located at 39012 LA Hwy 621 with box culverts in regard to a CEA with the property owner that was entered into on June 2, 2008. The estimated cost for material and labor for box culverts is \$67,336.26. This vote, if approved, should be conditioned upon the land owner dedicating the needed to bank servitude and Channel width for Bayou Narcisse according to the Parish FMP model (John Paul Robert, Legal Counsel).

There was a discussion. Mr. Arthur Smith spoke in support of this item. Vice Chairman made a motion to honor the agreement to keep a commitment made in 2008 and to get a survey completed to present back to the drainage board at the beginning of the year to put in box culverts.

(7) Drainage Report

- a. HNTB ADAPT Program/Grant Application and LWI projects Monthly Update (John Monzon, P.E.)

Mr. John Monzon provided a presentation updating on various projects. There was a discussion.

- b. Drainage Monthly Report - Capital Project Update (Jade Robin, Project Manager)

Mr. Jade Robin provided a presentation updating on day-to-day drainage operations.

- c. Vegetation Monthly Report (Jonathan Samuel, Assistant Director).

Mr. Johnathon Samuel provided a presentation updating on day-to-day vegetation operations.

(8) Adjourn

Vice Chairman Lawler departed at 6:42pm.

There was a motion made by Commissioner Melancon and a second by Commissioner

Mason.

Meeting adjourned at 6:53pm.

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