

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF CONSOLIDATED GRAVITY DRAINAGE DISTRICT NO. 1 OF TANGIPAHOA PARISH, STATE OF LOUISIANA, HELD ON WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13, 2016, AT 5:00 P. M., AT THE DOMICILE OF THE DRAINAGE DISTRICT LOCATED AT 48571 HIGHWAY 51 NORTH, TICKFAW, LOUISIANA

The Board of Commissioners of Consolidated Gravity Drainage District No. 1 of Tangipahoa Parish, State of Louisiana, met on the above date in Regular Session and was called to order by the President, Mr. David Vial, with the following members present:

JAMES BAILEY, CARLO S. BRUNO, BOBBY CORTEZ, LOUIS JOSEPH, HARRY LAVINE, H.G. "BUDDY" RIDGEL, DAVID VIAL, LIONELL WELLS

ABSENT: JOEY MAYEAUX

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A motion was made by Mr. Wells and seconded by Mr. Joseph to adopt the minutes of the Regular Meeting dated March 30, 2016, and that they be dispensed and published in the Official Journal of the District as record. Roll call vote was as follows:

YEAS: 8 (Bailey, Bruno, Cortez, Joseph, Lavine, Ridgel, Vial, Wells)

NAYS: None

NOT VOTING: None

ABSENT: 1 (Mayeaux)

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A motion was made by Mr. Wells and seconded by Mr. Lavine to accept the Finance Committee Report and pay all presented expenditures for the month of March, 2016. With no opposition, motion carried. Roll call vote was as follows:

YEAS: 8 (Bailey, Bruno, Cortez, Joseph, Lavine, Ridgel, Vial, Wells)

NAYS: None

NOT VOTING: None

ABSENT: 1 (Mayeaux)

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Mr. Chuck Spangler of Spangler Engineering updated the Board on the status of the Canal Improvements FY2016 Project, the Arnold's Creek Slope Paving Project, the Genessee Maintenance Bridge Project and the Long Range Canal Improvement Plan. He also stated that he was still in the process of taking inventory on the quantity of trees that would need to be removed as a result of the flooding event that took place on March 8, 2016.

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In his report, the Administrator discussed the Permit and Progress Reports and the Master To Do List. He stated that the initial process for submitting a public request to participate in the FEMA 75/25 reimbursement program, for assistance with the removal of fallen trees from the flooding disaster, was complete. He also stated that he had discussed and defined Drainage District responsibilities and Tangipahoa Parish Government responsibilities with Parish Officials, as a result of incoming calls and work orders from the Public. The Board suggested that the Administrator publish a detailed map displaying the District's scope of work and ongoing projects for the public. The Administrator also voiced concerns on numerous public requests for assistance regarding erosion problems and he expressed that some of the request were not

within the Districts capabilities to perform the work. The Administrator requested approval from the Board to develop a policy to define parameters for which future slope stability projects could be initiated. A motion was made by Mr. Wells and seconded by Mr. Bruno to accept the Administrator’s report and approve his request to develop a Slope Stabilization Policy. Roll call vote was as follows:

YEAS: 8 (Bailey, Bruno, Cortez, Joseph, Lavine, Ridgel, Vial, Wells)

NAYS: NONE

NOT VOTING: NONE

ABSENT: 1 (Mayeaux)

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A motion was made by Mr. Wells and seconded by Mr. Bailey to place on the Agenda by unanimous vote, proposed changes to the Personnel Policy Manual. Roll call vote was as follows:

YEAS: 8 (Bailey, Bruno, Cortez, Joseph, Lavine, Ridgel, Vial, Wells)

NAYS: NONE

NOT VOTING: NONE

ABSENT: 1 (Mayeaux)

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In personnel matters, the Administrator presented proposed changes to the Personnel Policy Manual to be implemented for District employees. The revision identifies the Advanced Sick Leave Policy which would be offered to employees for catastrophic events and stipulates that any advance sick leave must be paid back within ten (10) months at a rate of eight (8) hours per month and an employee must have a minimum of 80 (80) hours of sick leave accrued prior to initiating a request for the advance sick leave. A motion was made by Mr. Wells and seconded by Mr. Bailey to approve the proposed changes to the Personnel Policy Manual. Roll call vote was as follows:

YEAS: 8 (Bailey, Bruno, Cortez, Joseph, Lavine, Ridgel, Vial, Wells)

NAYS: NONE

NOT VOTING: NONE

ABSENT: 1 (Mayeaux)

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A motion was made by Mr. Bruno and seconded by Mr. Bailey to place on the Agenda by unanimous vote, an amendment to the minutes of the meeting dated September 30, 2015. Roll call vote was as follows:

YEAS: 8 (Bailey, Bruno, Cortez, Joseph, Lavine, Ridgel, Vial, Wells)

NAYS: NONE

NOT VOTING: NONE

ABSENT: 1 (Mayeaux)

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A motion was made by Mr. Bruno and seconded by Mr. Bailey to revise the minutes of the meeting dated September 30, 2015 meeting to reflect; a motion was made by Mr. Bruno and seconded by Mr. Muscarello to authorize Legal Counsel to make an offer to Mr. Trey Hughes on a servitude that he had filled in on the north side of El Rancho Subdivision, based on the appraised value. The Board found that a drainage servitude was necessary for the public purpose of constructing and maintaining drainage works to serve the surrounding lands, including El Rancho Subdivision, and asked that Legal Counsel begin the process of expropriation, if Mr. Hughes failed to respond to the offer within 24 hours. Roll call vote was as follows:

YEAS: 8 (Bailey, Bruno, Cortez, Joseph, Lavine, Ridgel, Vial, Wells)

NAYS: NONE

NOT VOTING: NONE

ABSENT: 1 (Mayeaux)

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With no further business appearing, on motion by Mr. Wells and seconded by Mr. Bruno, the Commissioners of CGDD1 adjourned.

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Nancy Galofaro
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