

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF CONSOLIDATED GRAVITY DRAINAGE DISTRICT NO. 1 OF TANGIPAHOA PARISH, STATE OF LOUISIANA, HELD ON WEDNESDAY, MAY 30, 2018, 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. Louis "Nick" Joseph, with the following members present:

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

ABSENT: HARRY LAVINE

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During Public Comment, Mr. Ken Ridgedell of Ridgewood Subdivision, Hammond, voiced concern over standing water on several lots due to another property owner in the subdivision backfilling the swale ditch within the 25-foot drainage servitude. A motion was made by Mr. Vial and seconded by Mr. Bruno to place on the Agenda, by unanimous vote, requesting the Board attorney to generate a letter to the property owner that backfilled the swale ditch within the 25-foot drainage servitude. Roll call vote was as follows:

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

NAYS: None

NOT VOTING: None

ABSENT: 1 (Lavine)

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A motion was made by Mr. Vial and seconded by Mr. Bruno to request the Board attorney to generate a letter to the property owner in Ridgewood Subdivision to re-establish the swale ditch within the 25-foot drainage servitude. Roll call vote was as follows:

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

NAYS: None

NOT VOTING: None

ABSENT: 1 (Lavine)

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A motion was made by Mr. Vial and seconded by Mr. Bailey to adopt the minutes of the Regular Meeting dated May 10, 2018, 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, Mayeaux, Ridgel, Vial, Wells)

NAYS: None

NOT VOTING: None

ABSENT: 1 (Lavine)

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Mr. Billy Taylor of McLin-Taylor presented the drainage plans of Coburn Lakes. Several area property owners were present and viewed the plans. Mr. Taylor had previously met with property owners that had some concerns and recommendations. A motion was made by Mr. Vial and seconded by Mr. Bruno to approve the drainage plans of Coburn Lakes. Approval is contingent upon the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers approval permit. Roll call vote was as follows:

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

NAYS: None

NOT VOTING: None

ABSENT: 1 (Lavine)

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Mr. Jay Pittman of Spangler Engineering provided updates on the Bank Stabilization [FY2016] and Canal Improvements [FY2018] projects.

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Major Coleman of the St. Helena Parish Policy Jury informed the Board of future projects on the Natalbany River in St. Helena Parish.

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A motion was made by Mr. Bruno and seconded by Mr. Vial to place on the Agenda, by unanimous vote, monthly compensation for the month of May for Board Member, Mr. Harry Lavine, due to medical reasons. Roll call vote was as follows:

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

NAYS: None

NOT VOTING: None

ABSENT: 1 (Lavine)

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A motion was made by Mr. Cortez and seconded by Mr. Bruno to pay Board Member, Mr. Harry Lavine, his monthly compensation for the month of May, as per Resolution No. 070611. Roll call vote was as follows:

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

NAYS: None

NOT VOTING: None

ABSENT: 1 (Lavine)

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In his report, the Administrator presented the Master To Do List and the Permit and Progress Report. He also presented the April Financial Report and a form letter prepared by the Parker Layrisson Law Firm regarding private property matters by adjacent landowners. The Board is to review and make any comments or suggestions at the next meeting on the form letter. A motion was made by Mr. Wells and seconded by Mr. Vial to approve the Administrator’s Report. Roll call vote was as follows:

YEAS: 8 (Bailey, Bruno, Cortez, Joseph, Mayeaux, Ridgel, Vial, Wells)
NAYS: None
NOT VOTING: None
ABSENT: 1 (Lavine)

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In personnel, the Administrator presented the findings of the UNO study conducted regarding salaries. The Personnel Committee recommended changes as per the UNO study. A motion was made by Mr. Bruno and seconded by Mr. Vial to give the Administrator approval to adjust salaries of the 4 employees as recommended by the committee, effective immediately. Roll call vote was as follows:

YEAS: 8 (Bailey, Bruno, Cortez, Joseph, Mayeaux, Ridgel, Vial, Wells)
NAYS: None
NOT VOTING: None
ABSENT: 1 (Lavine)

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In Commissioners' Privileges, Mr. Joseph reminded the Board of the Hurricane Preparedness Kickoff to be held Friday at 10 a.m. at the Arena.

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

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