

MINUTES
Chenier Plain Coastal Restoration and Protection Authority
(CPCRPA)
Tuesday, October 12, 2021
SEED Center Lake Charles - 5PM

President Ralph Libersat called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

President Ralph Libersat asked Laurie T. Cormier to initiate roll call:

- Jake McCain- present
- Kay Barnett - present
- Mike Dever- present
- Phillip Trosclair- present
- Ralph Libersat- present
- Trevor Hair-- present
- Earl Landry, Jr. - present
- David Minton - absent
- Earnestine Horn - absent

Approval of the minutes of the July 20, 2021 regular meeting:

- Scooter Trosclair made a motion to approve the minutes of the last meeting.
- Earl Landry seconded the motion.
- No public comment; No opposition.

Presentations were heard by the board:

- Ralph Libersat – Constitutional Amendment update. Ralph stated he has been to the Cameron Parish, Calcasieu Parish and Vermilion Parish Police Juries. Also, he has present to the Environmental Affairs, Iberia Mayors, ALBL, Assessors, Sheriff's and Major Landowners re voting Yes for the amendment. There was much discussion
- Laurie Cormier – Coastal Report is attached.

Amend the Agenda to discuss and consider actions on any new items presented by Authority.

N/A made a motion to amend agenda to include item 9D:

Resolution to N/A.

- _____ seconded the motion.
- No public comment; No opposition.

Business from the Audience

- Greg Grandy with the CPRA stated that Chip Kline will be speaking to the Advocate newspaper and GNO, Inc. to encourage support for the amendment. He stated CPRA is also working with the CORP re a match for SW Coastal.
- Rene Escuriex suggested that we encourage our representatives to send out handouts supporting the amendment. There was discussion on this. Scooter stated he has a meeting with some state Legislators tomorrow and he will engage them as well.

Treasurer's Report:

- Treasurer Kay Barnett gave the report.
- Mike Dever made a motion to accept the treasurer's report.
- Scooter seconded the motion.
- No public comment; No opposition.

Payment of bills:

- Treasurer Kay Barnett gave the report of bills.
- Mike Dever made a motion to accept the payment of the bills.
- Scooter Trosclair seconded the motion.

No public comment; No opposition

Announcement: The next CPRPA meeting will be Tuesday, January 18, 2022 at 5:00 pm in Cameron Parish

Adjournment: Kay Barnett made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mike Dever seconded the motion. No public comment; No opposition. President Ralph Libersat adjourned the meeting at 6:30 p.m.

APPROVED:

Ralph Libersat
President

CHENIER PLAINS FINANCIALS JULY 2021 - SEPTEMBER 2021			
CHECKING ACCOUNT			
BEGINNING BALANCE			
		Jul-21	\$ 49,837.49
CONSTANT CONTACT		\$ 45.00	
QUICKBOOKS/INTUIT		\$ 40.00	
ENDING JULY BALANCE			\$ 49,752.49
BEGINNING BALANCE			
		Aug-21	\$49,752.49
CONSTANT CONTACT		\$ 45.00	
QUICKBOOKS		\$ 50.00	
GODADDY		\$ 40.34	
TARGET - Printer Ink		\$ 79.32	
ENDING AUGUST BALANCE			\$49,537.83
BEGINNING BALANCE			
		Sep-21	\$ 49,537.83
CONSTANT CONTACT		\$ 45.00	
QUICKBOOKS		\$ 50.00	
GODADDY		\$ 20.17	
ENDING SEPTEMBER BALANCE			\$ 49,422.66 \$ 49,422.66
BEGINNING BALANCE			
		Oct-21	
CONSTANT CONTACT			
QUICKBOOKS			
GODADDY			
LANGLEY AND WILLIAMS - CPA (TAX PREPARATION)		\$ 300.00	
ENDING OCTOBER BALANCE			\$ -
BEGINNING BALANCE			
		Nov-21	
CONSTANT CONTACT			
QUICKBOOKS			
ENDING NOVEMBER BALANCE			\$ -
BEGINNING BALANCE			
		Dec-21	
CONSTANT CONTACT			
QUICKBOOKS			
GODADDY			
ENDING DECEMBER BALANCE			\$ -
INVESTMENT ACCOUNT-COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF ACADIANA			
BEGINNING BALANCE			
		Jul-21	\$ 56,537.57

CFA SUPPORT FEE		\$57.62		
INTEREST & DIVIDENDS		\$ 1.29		
ENDING JULY BALANCE			\$ 56,481.24	
BEGINNING BALANCE				
	Aug-21	\$ 56,481.24		
CFA SUPPORT FEE		\$ 57.56		
INTEREST & DIVIDENDS		\$ 1.02		
ENDING AUGUST BALANCE			\$ 56,424.70	\$ 56,424.70
BEGINNING BALANCE				
	Sep-21			
CFA SUPPORT FEE				
INTEREST & DIVIDENDS				
ENDING SEPTEMBER BALANCE			\$ -	
BEGINNING BALANCE				
	Oct-21			
CFA SUPPORT FEE				
INTEREST & DIVIDENDS				
ENDING OCTOBER BALANCE			\$ -	
BEGINNING BALANCE				
	Nov-21			
CFA SUPPORT FEE				
INTEREST & DIVIDENDS				
ENDING NOVEMBER BALANCE			\$ -	
BEGINNING BALANCE				
	Dec-21			
CFA SUPPORT FEE				
INTEREST & DIVIDENDS				
ENDING DECEMBER BALANCE			\$0.00	
CHENIER PLAINS CASH & INVESTMENTS AS OF 9/30/21				\$ 105,847.36

Laurie Cormier

From: Kay Barnett <kaybarnett@suddenlink.net>
Sent: Friday, October 8, 2021 3:49 PM
To: Laurie Cormier; Ralph Libersat; Kay Barnett
Subject: Legislative Auditor's report

Paying this today. Received the bill earlier this week. TGIF!!!

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Invoice 1

P O BOX 4690
LAKE CHARLES, LA 70606-4690
(337)477-2827

CHENIER PLAIN COASTAL RESTORATION
KAY BARNETT
4105 MAIDSTONE DRIVE
LAKE CHARLES, LA 70605

Invoice No. 59794
Date 08/31/2021
Client No. 01376
Engage#
Description
Partner LANGLEY, N

DATE	SERVICE	STAFF
08/04/2021	MAS - GENERAL Assisted with sworn financials	WERNER
08/05/2021	MISCELLANEOUS BOOKKEEPING Entered and reconciled quickbooks information.	HOAG
08/05/2021	MAS - GENERAL Sworn financials	WERNER

\$ 517.50

Courtesy Discount (217.50)

Current Amount Due \$ 300.00

CHENIER PLAIN COASTAL RESTORATION

4105 MAID STONE DR
LAKE CHARLES, LA 70605-4031

11-13

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94-7041/2652

DATE October 8, 2021

PAY
TO THE
ORDER OF

Langley, Williams & Company LLC

Three hundred and 00/100

\$ 300.00

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FOR

Kayl. Barnett
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Coastal Report

10-12-2021

Laurie T. Cormier

- 1) The CPRA Meeting scheduled for Wednesday, September 15, 2021 was cancelled; The next meeting of the CPRA will be Wednesday, October 20, 2021 at the Nichols State at 9:30 am
- 2) The Louisiana Legislative Auditor report was sent in on 8-4-2021. An invoice was sent from Langley Williams for \$300 and was paid by Kay.
- 3) Please Vote Yes on Amendment #3 for Coastal Levee Boards. Voting day is Saturday, November 13, 2021. Early Voting is scheduled for October 30, 2021 to November 6, 2021.
- 4) CPRA received \$28.68 million grant to Advance the Calcasieu -Sabine Large Scale Marsh and Hydrologic Restoration Project in SWLA. This project will benefit the 65,000 acre Cameron Creole Watershed through targeted large scale marsh creation and enhanced drainage of excess water threatening marsh health.
- 5) The next Association of Level Boards Meeting will be held Thursday, October 14, 2021 at 10:00 at Drusilla Seafood.
- 6) CPRA Webinar Wednesday beginning again tomorrow at 10:00 am – Addressing Land Loss in the Barataria Basin. (facebook)
- 7) Completion of Rabbit Island Restoration in Cameron Parish was announced on 10-6-2021 by CPRA
- 8) Attorney General is offering a monthly training program for boards and commission members. New dates are November 9 and December 10. See your flyer for more information.

Per Chip Kline Director of CPRA – Hurricane Ida Report

- 1) Investments made a tremendous difference. HSDRRS (Hurricane and Storm Damage Risk Reduction) System is a \$14 Billion dollar system paid for itself. 2nd time since system was completed that it was fully closed. 1st time was Hurricane Barry (2019). No levee overtopping, no breaches, etc.
- 2) Billions of dollars of restoration projects – LaRose to Golden Meadow – LaRose, withstood a 16' storm surge. No levee failures, no breaches, no levee overtopping. Performed well to protect people.
- 3) 250,000 people were protected \$1B spent in Terrebonne Parish – storm surge flood gates are designed to keep water out. Flood gates on Bubba Dove Flood (one of the largest ones) had a Hing snapped off – had gap – water flowed out but they are putting temporary fix in place.
- 4) Flood gates were not damaged but electrical systems were damaged and they are being repaired. Should not take long to fix.
- 5) Plaquemine Parish no overtopping. St. Bernard had overtopping.

- 6) Grand Isle and Lafitte – state coastal program is committed to providing protection to Grand Isle. Need to change the way they protect Grand Isle. They will strengthen structures in Grand Isle and Lafitte.
- 7) Chip put Eyes on the Ground – Queen Bess and Barrier Islands performed well. They knocked down the storm surge and the CRPA will continue their Multi-levels of defense strategy.
- 8) Lower Lafitte – inundated by storm surge. There are 28 pumps on the ground trying to get the water out. West bank of Plaquemine Parish. There are many sights that are being dewatered at this time.

Report from Jerry Carroll

Active Construction Projects

CS-66 Cameron Meadows Marsh Creation

CWPPRA; Contractor: Great Lakes Dock and Dredge \$28.56M

- Current project schedule shows the dredge being towed to the site and prepped for dredging the first full week in October 2021. Fill placement scheduled to begin 10/13. The dredge is currently finishing a job in Sabine Pass; is on schedule to arrive as indicated above pending no impacts from TS Nicholas.
- The contract time for the project ends September 21, so damages for late completion will be assessed through project completion.

CS-49 Cameron Creole Freshwater Introduction (NRCS)

CWPPRA; Contractor: Tarpan Construction LLC, Sub: Luhr Bros., Frogco LLC \$9.16M

- NRCS led project
- Project is complete with the exception of the Floating Marine Barrier, which should be delivered to the project site this week.

Projects Bid and Ready for Construction

ME-20 South Grand Chenier MC (USFWS) (Budget \$16.3M)

CWPPRA

- Bids received 8/23/2021. This is the third bidding of the project with the 2 previous efforts coming in substantially over budget.
- NRCS is currently evaluating bids. They have not shared the details on the bids yet, but there were 3 bids received with 1 of the bids received apparently under the estimate for the project. We are hopeful everything is in order and there will be a Notice of Award issued soon.

Projects in E&D

ME-35 Rockefeller Shoreline Protection

RESTORE Funds

- Westward extension of the previously constructed ME-18 CWPPRA Rockefeller Refuge Shoreline Stabilization Project and the ME-37 Rockefeller Shoreline Protection Project (Cameron Parish led project using \$5M State Surplus and \$4.3M Cameron Parish Gustav/Ike CDBG remaining funds)
- ME-35 will use \$6.67M RESTORE State Matching funds and \$2M Cameron Parish RESTORE funds
- State funds have been received; Cameron Parish is awaiting grant approval for their funds. Engineering and design will commence upon receipt.

CS-87 Calcasieu Sabine Large Scale Marsh and Hydrologic Restoration

RESTORE Funds

- Formerly CS-65 Calcasieu Ship Channel Salinity Control
- Main components will consist of flap gates and/or pumps to improve marsh drainage in flood-stressed areas; and large-scale marsh creation and nourishment to increase elevation capital
- Expecting RESTORE grant amendment approval within the next week
- Upon grant approval, ready to commence with data collection in Cameron Creole Watershed, conduct design optimization kickoff workshop to refine project goals and objectives to guide the conceptual alternative development and comparison analysis

CWPPRA – 3 projects which competed for Phase 2 Construction Funding will re-compete at the Dec/Jan Technical Committee and Task Force Mtgs.

CS-78 No Name Bayou Marsh Creation (NMFS)

CS-79 Oyster Lake Marsh Creation (NOAA)

ME-31 Freshwater Bayou Marsh Creation

CWPPRA – 2 other projects in design will hold 95% Design Review Meetings this fall and will compete for Phase 2 Construction Funding at the Dec/Jan Technical Committee and Task Force Mtgs.

CS-81 Sabine Refuge Marsh Creation Cycle 6 & 7 (USFWS)

- 95% Design Review Mtg. scheduled for October 2021

CS-85 Long Point Bayou Marsh Creation (EPA)

- 95% Design Review Mtg. scheduled for 9/28/2021
- There is a potential for this project to receive NRDA funding. Plan is to continue through the CWPPRA process. If NRDA funding is received, the design will be completed and put out for construction through NRDA, using a Corps dredging cycle of the Calcasieu Ship Channel

Hurricane Laura FEMA Claims

Cameron Creole Watershed Water Control Structures – I think we are close to receiving approval and funding to commence with the engineering and design for the repairs to damages resulting from Hurricane Laura

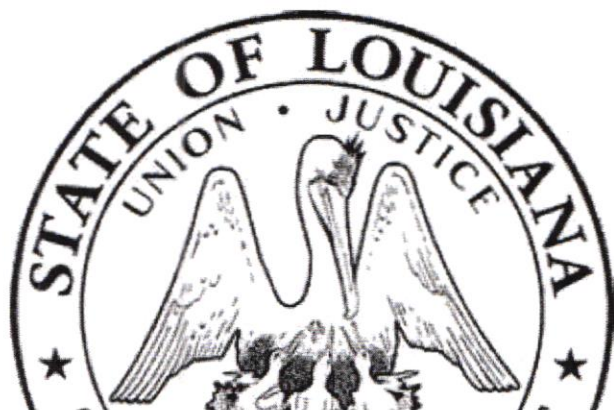
ME-16 Freshwater Introduction South of Hwy 82 – damage to 5 water control structures on Rockefeller Refuge. Damage assessments and site inspection reports have been performed with FEMA personnel. Claims are working their way through the FEMA process. Similar to the Cameron Creole Water Control Structures, I am hopeful that approval and funding will be granted soon to commence with engineering and design for the repairs to damages resulting from Hurricane Laura.

SW Coastal – Non Structural

- 27 properties ready to be raised. We are waiting on the USACE to provide us with the Work-in-Kind crediting Memorandum of Understanding. We will then execute Intergovernmental Agreements with Calcasieu and Vermilion Parishes to execute the elevations.

NOTICE OF RESCHEDULED ELECTIONS

Pursuant to Executive Order No. 2021 JBE 13, issued on September 9, 2021, the elections previously scheduled for October 9, 2021 and November 13, 2021 have been rescheduled for November 13, 2021 and December 11, 2021. Early voting for the November 13, 2021 election will be held October 30 - November 6, 2021 (excluding Sunday October 31, 2021) Early voting for the December 11, 2021 election will be held November 27, 2021 - December 4 (excluding Sunday November 28, 2021).



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