

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF WATERWORKS DISTRICT NO. 3 (COTEAU) OF IBERIA PARISH, LOUISIANA, TAKEN AT THE REGULAR MEETING HELD ON MONDAY, MARCH 17, 2025

The Board of Supervisors of Waterworks District No. 3 (Coteau) of Iberia Parish, Louisiana, met in Regular Session at the office, 4104 Coteau Road, New Iberia, Louisiana on Monday, March 17, 2025, at 6:03 p.m.

Paul Trahan called the meeting to order with the following members present: Barrett Hebert, Allen Douet, Jr. and James Sprague. Member absent was Ray Gary. It was determined that a quorum was had.

Also present at the start of the meeting were Jeremy Fontenot, Engineer with McBade Engineering; Brad Cradeur, Director of Iberia Parish Sewerage District No. 1 and Waterworks District No. 3 (Coteau); Christine Ransonet, Executive Assistant and Carolyn L. Romero, Recording Secretary.

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

ITEM #3 - PUBLIC COMMENTS:

No public comments.

ITEM #4 – APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was motioned by Barrett Hebert and seconded by James Sprague to accept the minutes of the Monthly Meeting of Monday, February 24, 2025 as published. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

ITEM #5 – DISCUSS AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON THE FOLLOWING

- a. In the absence of Timothy Henry, Brad Cradeur gave the Statewide Electrical Services report on Plant Operations and stated that plant operations this month were pretty subdued. He stated that there was a minor issue with the generator but all is fine; we will soon have a new generator for the new water well site; painting in the plant is almost complete; they are doing a good job and it looks really good; overall, the plant has been operating well this month.
- b. Jeremy Fontenot gave the Engineers Report and stated that he sent letters to Brad Cradeur and Paul Trahan regarding Water Well No. 5 Contract No. 1 research on water hardness.

Jeremy Fontenot advised the board that Contract No. 2 Ground Storage Tank contractor is pretty much done with everything and is working on replacing the tank's fill valve; they have installed the overhead door on the pump station building and the only remaining item would be tying in the electrical work to the electrical work of the water well contractor. MCC is supposed to be here at the end of this month and would start to run conduit;

Jeremy Fontenot advised the board that the plans and specs for the Water Treatment Plant are complete, are being reviewed and should be ready for advertisement at the end of this week.

Paul Trahan advised Jeromy Fontenot that he walked the well site last week and noticed that the control panel on the booster pump station is still cracked and has not yet been replaced.

Jeremy Fontenot advised that the contractor is working on resolving the damage to the control panel.

c. There was no report from Legal Counsel.

d. Brad Cradeur gave the Director's Report and advised that faulty meters are being replaced and should be completed by the end of the week.

Brief discussion was had regarding meter reading problems.

Brad Cradeur advised that multiple bills are no longer being mailed in envelopes.

Brad Cradeur advised the board that Frederick Phillip has given his two (2) weeks notice and his last day would be this Friday, March 21, 2025; Phillip Flugence has had eye surgery, doing well and should be back on the job soon.

Brad Cradeur advised the board that he has a job opening online; has two (2) potential applicants and he is moving on that as soon as possible.

Brad Cradeur recapped water hardness in Water Well No. 5 and recommended to go with the depth recommendations of the Engineer and Hydrologist.

Lengthy discussion was had regarding water treatment.

Paul Trahan made Executive Motion on Water Well No. 5 to put into vote to go with the Engineer's and Hydrologist's recommendations of a depth of 130 to 190 feet. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Discussion was had regarding contractor's lack of presence at the job site.

#### ITEM #6 – NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

#### ANNOUNCEMENT:

Paul Trahan advised that the next board meeting would be held on Monday, April 21, 2025 at 6:00 p.m.; agenda items would be due on Wednesday, April 16, 2025.

It was motioned by James Sprague and second by Allen Douet, Jr. that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Minutes were taken from notes and Tascam Recorder and transcribed by Carolyn L. Romero.

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BARRETT HEBERT, SECRETARY  
WATERWORKS DISTRICT #3 (COTEAU)

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PAUL TRAHAN, PRESIDENT  
WATERWORKS DISTRICT #3 (COTEAU)