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**Consolidated Gravity Drainage District No. Two East Calcasieu Parish
MINUTES REGULAR SESSION
Wednesday, January 10, 2024**

A Public Meeting was held for the purpose of considering the following business of Consolidated Gravity Drainage District No. 2 East Calcasieu Board of Commissioners, as the governing authority of Gravity Drainage Ward One, Ward Two, Ward Three, and Ward Eight.

The Board of Commissioners of the Consolidated Gravity Drainage District No. 2 East Calcasieu of Calcasieu Parish met in a duly advertised Regular Session Meeting on Wednesday, January 10, 2024, at 641 West Prien Lake Road, Lake Charles, Louisiana. President T.A. Jones called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM. Mr. Greene led the Invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Reon. The Board Secretary, Ms. Prudhomme, called the Roll of Commissioners.

Present:

Mr. Theodore A. Jones	President
Mr. John Reon	Vice President
Mr. Donny Greene	Secretary-Treasurer
Mr. Todd Blanchard	Commissioner
Mr. James Gobert	Commissioner
Mr. Craig Schultz	Commissioner
Mr. Michael Wittler	Commissioner

Absent:

Also present:

Mr. Butler Bourgeois	Insurance Agent, Gallagher
Mrs. Renee Dowden	Daughter of employee F. Zamora
Mr. Jude Hebert	Superintendent Ward Eight
Mr. Gregory LaFleur	Director of Gravity Drainage
Mr. Michael Polk	Superintendent Ward Three
Ms. Vanessa Prudhomme	Board Secretary/Administrative Support Specialist
Mr. Darby Quinn	Police Juror District 1
Mrs. Rachel Trahan	Administrative Support Specialist
Mrs. Linda Zamora	Spouse of Employee
Mr. Fray Zamora	Employee

President Jones requested to suspend the rules and add two agenda items to the existing agenda. Item 9. B. Inclement weather event and Item 9. C. Advise: Property available. There was a motion from Mr. Reon to suspend the rules and add the items with a second from Mr. Greene. The motion carried with no objections.

Mr. Gobert motioned to approve the December 4, 2023 Regular Session Board minutes. Mr. Greene gave the second. All were in favor and none opposing.



Mr. Greene motioned to approve all the budget reports for December 2023. Mr. Reon second the motion. There were no objections.

Mr. LaFleur represented CSRS giving an update on Brigas Acres Subdivision Model. The original estimate provided was \$20 to \$25 thousand. However, after completing the model, staff is requesting the current task order to move forward with a not to exceed amount of \$40,000. Mr. Wittler motioned to accept the updated model with a second from Mr. Gobert. The motion moved forward without objection.

Mr. Jones used President's Personal Privilege and honored retirees with plaques: Mr. Fray Zamora who had a total of 29 years of service to Gravity Drainage and Mr. Darby Quinn who has served as a Commissioner for years.

Mr. Butler Bourgeois presented the board with a final annual insurance pricing package with renewal in December 2023 overall cost \$328,000 for property and the commercial package pricing not to exceed \$135,000.00.

Mr. LaFleur reported there were no permits issued for the month, three Letters of No Objection and One Letter of Objection was issued. There will be a meeting to further discuss the Letter of Objection submitted to T-Mobile for a location in Ward 1 with all parties involved to include Calcasieu Parish Police Jury.

Mr. Reon motioned to accept the Ratification of the Declared Emergency on the office closure beginning Monday, January 8, 2024 into the early morning hours of January 9, 2024 and invoke the pay provisions as outlined in 3.17 of the Consolidated Gravity Drainage Dist. No. 2 East Calcasieu Parish Employee Handbook. Mr. Wittler gave the second. There were no objections in voting.

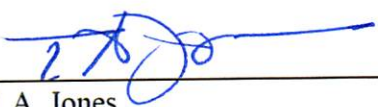
Mr. LaFleur gave notice to the Board of land coming available for sale near the Kayouche Pump station. The Board advised to get further information to include the last surface study and if the entire property would be as a whole or in parts.

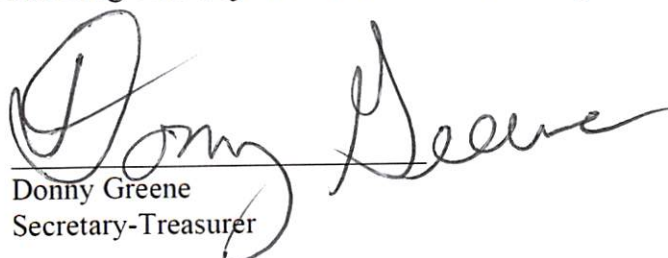
Mr. LaFleur on behalf of Ward One's Superintendent, Bryan Scott, requested to retire asset number 14226; 30' X 50' X 12' metal building. Mr. Wittler motioned to retire it and Mr. Gobert made the second. The building was destroyed in Hurricane Laura. Pictures of the new shop located in Ward One was shown updating the Commissioners on the construction progress. The motion carried without objection.

Mr. Polk updated the Board with the progress of Henderson Bayou project with a few pictures and videos. There was general discussion about the rain events effects of the construction. No decision needed to be made.

Mr. Hebert showed pictures of the Ward 8 office furniture set up. The staff have not been able to utilize the office as they are still awaiting Optimum to complete construction and set up the Broadband for WIFI. The Board tasked Mr. Hebert about getting a sign for the office.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned with a motion by Mr. Greene at 6:38 PM.


T. A. Jones
Board President


Donny Greene
Secretary-Treasurer