

**Minutes of the
Upper Delta Soil & Water Conservation District
Board of Supervisors Monthly Meeting
August 12, 2020**

The regular monthly meeting of the Upper Delta Soil and Water Conservation District Board of Supervisors was held on Wednesday, August 12, 2020 via Google Meets conference call and social distancing at the Pointe Coupee Parish Multi Use Center. The meeting was called to order at 8:04 a.m., and the meeting was chaired by Chairman, Mr. Price Gay.

- Supervisors Present: Andrew Price Gay, Jr., Chairman
Donald Schexnayder, Supervisor
Mark Engemann, Supervisor
- Supervisors Absent: Robert Morris, Vice-Chairman
Chip Vosburg, Supervisor
- Others Present: Carlyn Morales, District Secretary, New Roads
Theron Phillips, LDAF, Ag Enviro Specialist
Wendy Gipson, LDAF, Ag Enviro Specialist
Riley Berthelot, WBR Parish President
Megan Moltere, Office of Congressman Garret Graves
Aimee Preau, DEQ
J.A. Rummler, Public Attendee
Anita Manshack, Sabine SWCD

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND DISTRICT ACCOMPLISHMENT REPORT:

The Board dispensed with the reading of the minutes of the July 14, 2020 meeting. Chairman, Mr. Gay asked for any public comments and there were none. A motion was made by Mr. Engemann, and seconded by Mr. Schexnayder and passed unanimously, to approve the minutes of the July 14, 2020 Board Meeting as written. Also approved was the July 2020 District Accomplishment Report (this is an addendum to these minutes). Motion carried, these documents were approved and the minutes signed accordingly.

SECRETARY-TREASURER REPORT:

The Board of Supervisors conducted a review of the District Financial Statement and the District Monthly Budget Report for July 2020. Chairman, Mr. Gay asked for any public comments and there were none. The Financial Statement and Monthly Budget Report (which contain a record of the receipts and disbursements) were approved by the Board in a motion by Mr. Engemann and seconded by Mr. Schexnayder and passed unanimously. The Board reviewed and approved the July 2020 Program Assistants' Farm Bill Timesheets. Motion carried, this report is attached along with the minutes.

JULY 2020 RECEIPTS

Louisiana Department of Agriculture & Forestry/OSWC ----- (July 2020 Allocation)	\$ 0.00
Pointe Coupe Parish Government ----- (Supplement for July)	\$270.00
West Baton Rouge Parish Government ----- (FY 20-21 Supplement)	\$3,600.00
NRCS ----- (Grant Reimbursement for GIS Inv. Feb & Mar 2020)	\$27,235.00
TOTAL RECEIPTS -----	\$31,105.00

JULY 2020 DISBURSEMENTS

State of Employees Group Benefits----- (July District Contribution C. Aguiard's portion \$588.94 + G. St. Romain's portion \$328.54)	\$917.48
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Supervisors *Per Diem and Mileage

Supervisor	Per Diem	Mileage	Total
Andrew Price Gay, Jr.**	\$00.00	\$00.00	\$ 00.00
Robert Morris**	\$00.00	\$00.00	\$ 00.00
Morgan Vosburg**	\$00.00	\$00.00	\$ 00.00
Donald Schexnayder**	\$00.00	\$00.00	\$ 00.00
Mark Engemann**	\$00.00	\$00.00	\$ 00.00

***Effective February 6, 2007, Supervisors elected to forfeit Per Diem and Mileage.**

**** Attended meeting without Per Diem or mileage reimbursement**

District Salaries – Pay Periods 12 & 13	\$1,762.80
Retirement – Parochial/Deferred	\$132.21
FICA – Pay Periods 12 & 13	\$109.29
Medicare Tax – Pay Periods 12 & 13	\$25.56

Bennie Tate ----- (Services for July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2021)	\$1,275.00
Pointe Coupee Banner ----- (Annual Renewal)	\$46.80.
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS -----	\$4,269.14

CORRESPONDENCE:

The Board reviewed a memo from Joey Breaux, LDAF, FY 2020-2021 Operating Budget.

ACTION: None

The Board reviewed an email from Amy Fuselier, NRCS, Unsolicited seeds from China.

ACTION: None

The Board reviewed an email from Ernest Girouard, SSWC, Covid update.

ACTION: None

The Board reviewed an email from Brad Spicer, OSWC, Joey Breaux replaces Brad.

ACTION: None

The Board reviewed an email from Tim Landreneau, NRCS, ACEP-WRP Fact Sheets.

ACTION: None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Mr. Menon with GIS gave an updated presentation of the water project plan and presented the amendment to the Board. The suggested cost of the amendment is \$76,000. The Board voted to table this approval until next months meeting so more investigation of legal actions can be done.

ACTION: None

Mrs. Morales updated the Board that she participated in the Pointe Coupee LSU AgCenter Leader Webinar and was able to let teachers and leaders know what online resources the Conservation Districts can provide with the new school rules.

ACTION: None

Mrs. Morales asked the board to review the Final Operating Budget from Mr. Bennie Tate, CPA. Mrs. Morales will send out the final budget for everyone to review and ask questions.

ACTION: A motion was made by Mr. Schexnayder and seconded by Mr. Engemann, and passed unanimously, to approve the final operating budget from Mr. Bennie Tate.

NEW BUSINESS:
EXECUTIVE SESSION:
PUBLIC COMMENTS:
ANNOUNCEMENTS:

OTHER BUSINESS:

No NRCS personnel were able to attend the meeting. No District Conservationist reports were reviewed.

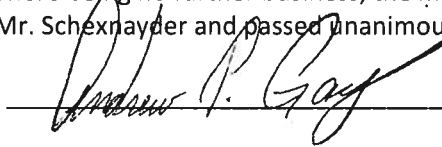
ACTION: None

Chairman, Mr. Gay asked for any public comments and there were none.

The next regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the Upper Delta Soil and Water Conservation District will be held at the Virtually from the District office in New Roads, LA on Tuesday, September 15, 2020 at 8:00 a.m.

Adjourn:

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:40 a.m. in a motion by Mr. Engemann and seconded by Mr. Schexnayder and passed unanimously.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Andrew P. Gay", is written over a horizontal line.

Andrew Price Gay, Jr.
Chairman

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