# Minutes of the Upper Delta Soil & Water Conservation District Board of Supervisors Monthly Meeting February 9, 2021

The regular monthly meeting of the Upper Delta Soil and Water Conservation District Board of Supervisors was held on Tuesday, February 9, 2021 via Google Meets conference call and social distancing at the Cottonport Community Center. The meeting was called to order at 11:01 a.m., and the meeting was chaired by Chairman, Mr. Price Gay.

Supervisors Present: Andrew Price Gay, Jr., Chairman

Donald Schexnayder, Supervisor

Chip Vosburg, Supervisor

Supervisors Absent: Robert Morris, Vice-Chairman

Mark Engemann, Supervisor

Others Present: Carlyn Morales, District Secretary, New Roads

Joey Breaux, LDAF, Assistant Commissioner Wendy Gibson, LDAF, Ag Enviro Specialist Theron Philips, LDAF, Ag Enviro Specialist Zack Remedies, NRCS, Soil Technician

Jacob Loeske, GIS Engineering

Ernest Girouard,

Anita Manshack, Sabine SWCD

# **PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

# APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND DISTRICT ACCOMPLISHMENT REPORT:

The Board dispensed with the reading of the minutes of the January 22, 2021 meeting. Chairman, Mr. Gay asked for any public comments and there were none. A motion was made by Mr. Vosburg, and seconded by Mr. Schexnayder and passed unanimously, to approve the minutes of the January 22, 2021 Board Meeting as written. Also approved was the January 2021 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 January 2021. 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. Schexnayder and seconded by Mr. Vosburg and passed unanimously. The Board reviewed the January 2021 Program Assistants' Farm Bill Timesheets. Motion carried; this report is attached along with the minutes.

# **JANUARY 2021 RECEIPTS**

Louisiana Department of Agriculture & Forestry/OSWC(Jan 2021 Allocation)	\$2,616.00
Farm Bill	\$501.00
(October 2020)	·
Farm Bill	\$4,318.00
(November & December 2020)	
Pointe Coupe Parish Government	\$270.00
(Supplement for Jan)	
NRCS Grant	\$19,135.00

TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$26,840.00
JANUARY 2021 DISBURSEMENTS	184
State of Employees Group Benefits	\$967.94
(Jan District Contribution C. Aguillard's portion \$621.32 + G. St. Romain's portion \$346.62)	\$3,569.17
LA Department of Agriculture and Forestry (PP 25, 26 & 27 Payroll Pay Periods)	\$3,509.17
GIS Engineering	\$19,135.00
(April & July 2020)	\$100.00
West Baton Rouge Historical Association (Annual Membership)	\$100.00

# 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

<sup>\*</sup>Effective February 6, 2007, Supervisors elected to forfeit Per Diem and Mileage.

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

District Salaries – Pay Periods 25, 26 & 27	\$1,850.94
Retirement – Parochial/Deferred	\$138.82
FICA – Pay Periods 25, 26 & 27	\$114.76
Medicare Tax – Pay Periods 25, 26 & 27	\$26.84

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS ------\$23,772.11

# **CORRESPONDENCE:**

The Board reviewed an email from Clay Alexander, LDAF, concerning Grain Drills for sale from St. Landry.

ACTION: None.

The Board reviewed an email newsletter from Louisiana Women in Agriculture, cancellation of the 2021 conference.

ACTION: None.

# **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

Mr. Loeske, with GIS, gave an update that they have been working on the LWI application that is due February 26<sup>th</sup> and have meetings with West Baton Rouge and Iberville Parish Presidents this week.

**ACTION: None** 

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** 

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

## **OTHER BUSINESS:**

Zack Remedies, NRCS Soil Technician, reviewed the District Conservationist report for the New Roads office.

**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 Virtually from the Cottonport Community Center in New Roads, LA on Tuesday, March 9, 2021 at 8:00 a.m.

Adjourn:
There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:26 a.m. in a motion by Mr. Schexnayder and seconded by Mr. Yosburg and passed unanimously.

Andrew Price Gay, Jr.

Chairman

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