PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF WATERWORKS DISTRICT NO. 1 OF THE PARISH OF ASSUMPTION, STATE OF LOUISIANA, TAKEN AT REGULAR BOARD MEETING HELD ON MARCH 25, 2024 @ 6:30 P.M.

President Scott Sternfels called the meeting to order with the pledge and silent prayer.

Board Members Present: Scott Sternfels, Wayne Arboneaux, Jim Boudreaux, Kenneth Dupaty, Charles Brown, Calvin Steward, Travis Daigle, Jerome Bougere, Paul Lewis, Blaine Mabile and Adam Mayon.

Board Members Absent: Kenneth Dupaty.

Also Present: General Manager B.J. Francis, Lacresha LeBlanc, Ginger Rushing, Garrett Mollere, Linda Cooke with The Bayou Pioneer, Shane Guin with High Tide Consultants, LLC and Dan Foglesong with PACE Engineering.

President Scott Sternfels called for the approval of the minutes of the February 26, 2024 Regular Board Meeting.

On a motion by Blaine Mabile, seconded by Jerome Bougere and unanimously carried to approve the minutes of the February 26, 2024 Regular Board Meeting.

President Scott Sternfels opened the floor for public comment to discuss agenda items.

President Scott Sternfels closed the floor for public comment.

The Board went into discussion about the Request for Forgiveness Due to Tornado for Mary Morland.

On a motion by Wayne Arboneaux, seconded by Jim Boudreaux and unanimously carried to give the customer an adjustment due to the tornado.

Chairman Jim Boudreaux provided Engineering Committee updates.

Bayou Valarie Booster Station Demo –The mobilization has begun today for the March 26th planned outage.

Plant Pump House Pump #3 Upgrade – The pump is now operational. The flowmeter had to be re-calibrated. The Certificate of Substantial Completion has been signed.

On a motion by Paul Lewis, seconded by Adam Mayon and unanimously carried to pay Invoice #2 dated March 18, 2024 to Pintail Contracting Services, in the amount of \$151,430.00 (100% Complete minus Retainage).

On a motion by Calvin Steward, seconded by Wayne Arboneaux and unanimously carried to pay Invoice #23-1003 dated March 19, 2024 to Process and Controls Engineering, in the amount of \$5,617.75 (100% Construction Phase and Project Representative).

Plant #5 Addition Project (2022 Bond Project) – A cost increase for the project was received.

Administrative Building/Board Meeting Room (2022 Bond Project) – The building phase is in progress. Department of Health and Hospitals (DHH) will allow for discharge.

On a motion by Blaine Mabile, seconded by Wayne Arboneaux and unanimously carried to pay Invoice #240205102 dated March 11, 2024 to Meyers Engineers, Ltd. in the amount of \$1,945.82 (Construction Administration and Testing).

On a motion by Blaine Mabile, seconded by Calvin Steward and unanimously carried to pay Invoice #2 dated February 28, 2024 to DEL-CON LLC, in the amount of \$80,275.00 (15% Complete).

Elevated Tower Rehabilitation Review (2022 Bond Project) – The Belle River tower has been completed and a punch list is now in progress. The Bayou L'Ourse tower has been blasted and primed. The tower should be ready for painting in about 2-3 weeks and completed within 5-6 weeks (weather permitting).

On a motion by Blaine Mabile, seconded by Adam Mayon and unanimously carried to Request a Not to Exceed Engineering Contract Amendment in the amount of \$13,000 for 3rd Party Inspector Fees.

On a motion by Blaine Mabile, seconded by Wayne Arboneaux and unanimously carried to pay Invoice #4 dated March 19, 2024 to Dixie Painting & Sandblasting, Inc., in the amount of \$158,416.02 (100% minus Retainage – Belle River Tower).

On a motion Adam Mayon, seconded by Jerome Bougere and unanimously carried to pay Invoice #21255-P1-8 dated March 19, 2024 to High Tide Consultants, LLC in the amount of \$2,625.00 (Inspections-February 2024).

Hwy 402 Upgrade (Phase 1) – They are working on routing and should have plans by the next board meeting.

Southall Street Waterline Upgrade Project – The plans are done and have been submitted to DHH. They are also working on the right of ways.

On a motion by Jerome Bougere, seconded by Blaine Mabile and unanimously carried to pay Invoice #23283-1 dated March 19, 2024 to High Tide Consultants, Inc., in the amount of \$4,141.15 (29.59% Design, 100% Survey and Recording Fees).

President Scott Sternfels presented the report from the Finance Committee. The monthly reports were all in order.

The Board discussed the FYE 2023 Transfer.

On a motion by Wayne Arboneaux, seconded by Jerome Bougere and unanimously carried to accept the FYE 2023 transfer in the amount of \$1,065,961.00 to be transferred to the LAMP-Capital Improvement Fund.

On a motion by Blaine Mabile, seconded by Calvin Steward and unanimously carried that the monthly invoices be paid.

Garrett Mollere gave the Distribution updates.

Blaine Mabile addressed the Board concerning fire hydrants. He stated that they are still waiting on the State.

Ginger Rushing gave the Plant updates.

President Scott Sternfels asked for suggested action items for April 22, 2024 meeting.

President Scott Sternfels asked for a motion to adjourn.

On a motion by Blaine Mabile, seconded by Jerome Bougere and unanimously carried to adjourn the Regular Board Meeting at 6:59 P.M.

Scott Sternfels – President

 $Jaime \ Boudreaux-Secretary/Treasurer$