

ST. MARY PARISH WATER & SEWER COMMISSION NO. 1
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REGULAR SESSION

AUGUST 6, 2025

The Board of Commissioners of St. Mary Parish Water & Sewer Commission No. 1 met in regular session on Wednesday, August 6, 2025, and was held at the office in Amelia, Louisiana at 6:00 P.M.

The President, Kenneth Mire called the meeting to order.

The Office Manager performed a roll call.

Board members present: Leroy Trim, Oscar Toups, Carla Gagliano, Charles Walters and Kenneth Mire.

Absent: None

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present.

Others present: Larry Barras, Amanda Lacoste and Jane Aucoin

Public Comment/Apearances: None

Approval of the minutes of the meetings held on Wednesday, July 2, 2025.

A motion was made by Charles Walters and seconded by Leroy Trim to approve and dispense the reading of the minutes for regular session held on Wednesday, July 2, 2025. Motion passed.

Executive Session (if necessary):

- A.** Discussion of pending litigation captioned “*In the Matter of the Complaint for Exoneration from or Limitation of Liability of Deloach Marine Services, LLC, as Owner Pro-Hac Vice and Operator of M/V Miss Mollye D,*” bearing Civil Action No. 3:22-cv-00416 in the United States District Court for the Middle District of Louisiana involving Deloach, LA DOTD and the Commission regarding the allision into the Bayou Ramos Bridge and the damaged water line.
- B.** To receive oral report regarding potential litigation and/or for the purpose of providing legal services related to the filing and litigation of a civil action for Rehabilitation of Gravity Filters at Water Treatment Plant project pursuant to the provisions of *La. R.S. 42:17* that, in pertinent part, reads as follows:
 - A.** A public body may hold an executive session pursuant to R.S. 42:16 for one or more of the following reasons:
 - (2) Strategy sessions or negotiations with respect to collective bargaining, prospective litigation after formal written demand, or litigation when an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the bargaining or litigating position of the public body.

Unfinished Business: None

New Business:

- A. Discussion and any action on matters discussed in executive session.**
Allowed for public comment: None

No comments.

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B. Discussion and any action for installing an aluminum cover over the ammonia tank.
Allowed for public comment: None

The Assistant Manager discussed the matter of installing an aluminum cover over the ammonia tank.

A motion was made by Charles Walters and seconded by Leroy Trim to approve and go with the low bid for the aluminum cover for the ammonia tank. All voted aye. Motion carried.

C. Discussion and any action regarding an installment plan for a customer's bill.
Allowed for public comment: None

The Office Manager discussed the water bill for a customer and asked for the approval of a sewer credit due to a leak because the water did not go through the meter.

A motion was made by Charles Walters and seconded by Oscar Toups to issue a credit for the sewer portion only and if asked for an installment plan to allow for 4 months only. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Reports:

A. Engineering Report: None

B. Managers Report:

The Assistant Plant Manager informed the Board concerning an employee has completed the required classes and will be given a .32 cent raise.

The Office Manager informed the Board that the Code of Ethics Training and Sexual Harassment for Public Servants need to be completed by December 31, 2025.

C. Outstanding Bills Report

A motion was made by Leroy Trim and seconded by Carla Gagliano to approve payment of the outstanding monthly bills. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Other Business allowed under Act 861: None

Adjournment

A motion was made by Charles Walters and seconded by Carla Gagliano to adjourn the meeting at 6:20 P.M. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Kenneth Mire, President

Carla Gagliano, Secretary/Treasurer