

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

NOVEMBER 5, 2025

The Board of Commissioners of St. Mary Parish Water & Sewer Commission No. 1 met in regular session on Wednesday, November 5, 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, Carla Gagliano, Charles Walters, and Kenneth Mire.

Absent: Oscar Toups

Mr. Oscar Toups arrived at 6:06 P.M.

Others Present: Brian Tabor, Larry Barras, Amanda Lacoste and Jane Aucoin

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present.

Comment/Appearances: Bill Bourgeois, representing Bourgeois Law LLC
(Mr. Bill Bourgeois could not make an appearance)

Approval of the minutes of the meetings held on Wednesday, October 1, 2025.

A motion was made by Leroy Trim and seconded by Charles Walters to approve and dispense the reading of the minutes for regular session held on Wednesday, October 1, 2025. Motion passed with 4 Ayes and 1 Absent.

A motion was made by Charles Walters and seconded by Leroy Trim to expand the agenda. All voted aye. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Charles Walters and seconded by Leroy Trim to move forward, getting our legal counsel to draft the lawsuit pertaining to the water plant and be done prior to our meeting, even if we must call a special meeting. This is based on things discussed in executive session at the October 1, 2025, Board Meeting. All voted aye. Motion carried.

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.

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Unfinished Business:

- A. Discussion and any action on the cleaning and the inspection of the water tank and towers.**
Allowed for public comment: None

The Plant Operations Manager updated the board with prices from the companies that have had interest in the cleaning of the water tank and towers. A discussion followed.

A motion was made by Charles Walters and seconded by Carla Gagliano to proceed with the lesser price with the cleaning of the water tank and towers. A discussion followed. All voted aye. Motion carried.

New Business:

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

There was no executive session.

- B. Discussion and any action on online operator certification.**
Allowed for public comment: None

The Plant Assistant Manager presented the process and prices of the online operator certification.

- C. Discussion and any action for a plant operator to attend class in Walker, La. and test in Westwego, La.**
Allowed for public comment: None

A motion was made by Charles Walters and seconded by Oscar Toups to move on Item B and C. All voted aye. Motion carried.

- D. Discussion and any action to adopt a Resolution of Respect in Memory of Roland H. Verret.**
Allowed for public comment: None

A motion was made by Charles Walters and seconded by the whole board to approve the Resolution of Respect for Roland H. Verret. All voted aye. Motion carried.

The Plant Operations Manager read the Resolution of Respect to the Board.

Reports:

- A. Engineering Report: None**

- B. Manager's Report:**

The Plant Operations Manager discussed the upcoming 2026 budget with the Commission. A discussion followed.

- C. Outstanding Bills Report**

A motion was made by Leroy Trim and seconded by Oscar Toups to approve payment of the outstanding monthly bills. All voted aye. Motion passed.

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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 7:02 P P.M. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Kenneth Mire, President

Carla Gagliano, Secretary/Treasurer