

ST. MARY PARISH WATER & SEWER COMMISSION NO. 1
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REGULAR SESSION
FEBRUARY 4, 2026

The Board of Commissioners of St. Mary Parish Water & Sewer Commission No. 1 met in regular session on Wednesday, February 4, 2026, 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: Kenneth Mire, Leroy Trim and Oscar Toups

Absent: Rose Johnson and Charles Walters

Others Present: Brian Tabor, Larry Barras and Amanda LaCoste,

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present.

Comment/Appearances: None

Approval of the minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday, January 7, 2026.

A motion was made by Leroy Trim and seconded by Oscar Toups to approve and dispense with the reading of the minutes for regular session held on Wednesday, January 7, 2026. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Leroy Trim and seconded by Oscar Toups to expand the agenda to address approval for Providence Engineering to complete the MWPP Audit and prepare the LDEQ required MWPP report. All voted aye. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Leroy Trim and seconded by Oscar Toups to authorize Providence Engineering to conduct the MWPP Audit and necessary reports to LDEQ. All voted aye. 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

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New Business:

A. Discussion and any action on matter discussed in executive session.

Allowed for public comment: None

No discussion.

B. Discussion and action of the acknowledgment of the Intergovernmental Agreement that was adopted and approved January 28, 2026, this agreement will bring the garbage collection fee to \$24.50 per month.

Allowed for public comment: None

A motion was made by Oscar Toups and seconded by Leroy Trim to approve and adopt the Intergovernmental Agreement for the increase of the garbage collection fee to \$24.50. All voted aye. Motion passed.

C. Discussion and any action on replacement of the phosphate chemical day tank.

Allowed for public comment: None

The Assistant Plant Manager acknowledged that prices were received in the amount of \$5831 and is waiting for a second bid.

A motion was made by Leroy Trim and seconded by Oscar Toups to accept and approve the replacement of the phosphate chemical day tank with the lower cost. All voted aye. Motion passed.

D. Discussion and any action regarding customers having multiple accounts in that one person's name are subject to be turned off if any of the accounts are in the arrears.

Allowed for public comment: None

The Office Manager explained the situation with multiple accounts in the same name. All voted aye. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Oscar Toups and seconded by Leroy Trim to approve service disconnect to any or all service connections to any customer with multiple service accounts in their name or business even if only one account is in arrears. All voted aye. Motion passed.

E. Discussion and any action for the clerical employees to order new uniform shirts.

Allowed for public comment: None

A motion was made by Leroy Trim and seconded by Oscar Toups to approve purchasing new uniform shirts for the clerical employees. All voted aye. Motion passed.

F. Discussion and any action on salary adjustment for office manager after completing probationary period.

Allowed for public comment: None

A motion was made by Oscar Toups and seconded by Leroy Trim to approve a salary adjustment for the office manager after completing a hiring probationary period. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Reports:

A. Engineering Report -None

B. Managers' Report --None

C. Outstanding Bills Report

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

Other Business Allowed Under Act 861

Adjournment

A motion was made by Leroy Trim and seconded by Oscar Toups to adjourn the meeting at 6: 58 P.M. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Kenneth Mire, President

Leroy Trim, Vice President