

**ST. MARY PARISH WATER & SEWER COMMISSION NO. 1**  
**834 WATERWORKS ROAD**  
**P.O. BOX 309**  
**AMELIA, LA. 70340**

**REGULAR SESSION**  
**APRIL 1, 2026**

The Board of Commissioners of St. Mary Parish Water & Sewer Commission No. 1 met in regular session on Wednesday, April 1, 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, Rose Johnson, Leroy Trim, Oscar Toups and Charles Walters

**Absent:** None

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present.

**Comment/Appearances:** Donna Comeaux, Notary

**Approval of the minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday, March 4, 2026.**

A motion was made by Charles Walters and seconded by Leroy Trim to approve and dispense with the reading of the minutes for regular session held on Wednesday March 4, 2026. 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:**

- A. Discussion and action concerning cost of living adjustments.**  
**Allowed for public comment: None**

The Plant Operations Manager updated the board on past cost of living adjustments. A discussion followed.

A motion was made by Chuck Walters and seconded by Rose Johnson take this matter under advisement for a future date. All voted aye. Motion passed.

**New Business:**

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

No discussion

**B. Discussion and adoption for the millage rate of 9.99 mills for 2026.**

**Allowed for public comment: None**

A motion was made by Charles Walters and seconded by Leroy Trim to adopt millage rate for 2026 at 9.99 mills. All voted aye. Motion passed.

**C. Discussion and any action regarding an installment plan for a customer's bill.**

**Allowed for public comment: None**

A motion was made by Charles Walters and seconded by Oscar Toups to approve an installment plan for this customer. Approval is \$135.00 per month plus the current bill for a period of six (6) months. All voted aye. Motion passed.

**D. Discussion and any action on reimbursement for office manager millage workshop expenses.**

**Allowed for public comment: None**

The Plant Manager discussed that the office Manager attended a workshop.

A motion was made by Charles Walters and seconded by Leroy Trim to approve the reimbursement of expenses. All voted aye. Motion passed.

**E. Discussion and any action on acquiring engineering services to provide estimates to repair 6" water line crossing Bayou Ramos.**

**Allowed for public comment: None**

A motion was made by Charles Walters and seconded by Oscar Toups to acquire engineering services from T Baker Smith to give an estimate to repair the 6" water line crossing Bayou Ramos. All voted aye. Motion passed.

**Reports:**

**A. Engineering Report -None**

**B. Managers' Report –**

The managers' report was given with no remarkable events or actions taken.

**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.

**Other Business Allowed Under Act 861**

**Adjournment**

A motion was made by Charles Walters and seconded by Rose Johnson to adjourn the meeting at 6: 55 P.M. All voted aye. Motion passed.

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Kenneth Mire, President

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Leroy Trim, Vice President