

ST. MARY PARISH WATER & SEWER COMMISSION NO. 1
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REGULAR SESSION
May 6, 2026

The Board of Commissioners of St. Mary Parish Water & Sewer Commission No. 1 met in regular session on Wednesday, May 6, 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: Mr. T. J. Aucoin

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

A motion was made by Leroy Trim and seconded by Charles Walters to approve and dispense with the reading of the minutes for regular session held on Wednesday April 4, 2026. All voted ayes. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Charles Walters and seconded by Oscar Toups to go into Executive Session at 6:05 P.M. All voted ayes. 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.

A motion was made by Charles Walters and seconded by Leroy Trim to come out of the Executive Session at 6:16 P.M. and return to the regular meeting.

Unfinished Business:

None

New Business:

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

Allowed for public comment: None

No discussion

B. Discussion and any action on sending a field operator to 40-hour class to obtain certification in Alexandria.

Allowed for public comment: None

A motion was made by Charles Walters and seconded by Rose Johnson to approve sending the field operator to the 40-hour class in Alexandria and a class in July in Lake Charles. All voted ayes. Motion passed.

C. Discussion and any action on pilot testing EMF 1120 in the oxidation ponds to reduce sludge levels.

Allowed for public comment: None

A motion was made by Charles Walters and seconded by Leroy Trim to approve the pilot testing EMF 1120 in the oxidation ponds. All voted ayes. Motion passed.

Reports:

A. Engineering Report -None

B. Managers' Report –

The Plant Manager discussed the budget with the board.

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 ayes. 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: 45 P.M. All voted ayes. Motion passed.

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Kenneth Mire, President

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Leroy Trim, Vice President