

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF TANGIPAHOA WATER DISTRICT OF JANUARY 6, 2025**

The Board of Commissioners of the Tangipahoa Water District met in Regular Session on the 6th day of January 2025 at the District Office in Natalbany, Louisiana. The meeting was called to order at 4:00 P.M. by Commissioner Larry Byers. Present –Randall Pfiester, Bruce Bordelon, Charlie Harrison, Tommy Levatino, Larry Byers, John S. Wilde and Jeremiah Davis. Absent- Marlon Milton. Also present was Mr. Patrick Coudrain- Legal Counsel and Mr. Chuck Spangler- Engineer. The invocation was led by Commissioner Bruce Bordelon followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Commissioner Jerry S. Wilde.

GUESTS AND COMMENTS: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING DATED DECEMBER 16, 2024- A motion was made by Mr. Levatino and seconded by Mr. Davis to adopt the minutes of the regular meeting dated December 16, 2024, and that they be dispensed and published in the Official Journal. Roll-call vote was as follows:

YEAS: 7 (Pfiester, Bordelon, Harrison, Byers, Levatino, Wilde, Davis)  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: 1 (Milton)  
ABSTAIN: None  
NOT VOTING: None

PUBLIC INPUT - ANYONE WISHING TO ADDRESS AGENDA ITEMS – The board was addressed by representatives of Optimal Water Technologies as well as a customer, Mrs. Taylor, that had a billing inquiry.

NEW BUSINESS –

A. APPROVE CHECK REGISTER FOR DECEMBER 2024 (Meter Deposit Account)- Motion was made by Mr. Bordelon and seconded by Mr. Wilde to approve the check register for December as presented. Roll call vote was as follows:

YEAS: 7 (Pfiester, Bordelon, Harrison, Byers, Levatino, Wilde, Davis)  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: 1 (Milton)  
ABSTAIN: None  
NOT VOTING: None

B. DISCUSS AND APPROVE AUDIT ENGAGEMENT LETTER FOR FY 2024- Motion was made by Mr. Wilde and seconded by Mr. Bordelon to approve the audit engagement letter for fiscal year 2024. Roll call vote was as follows:

YEAS: 7 (Pfiester, Bordelon, Harrison, Byers, Levatino, Wilde, Davis)  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: 1 (Milton)  
ABSTAIN: None  
NOT VOTING: None

C. DISCUSS AND APPROVE COMPLIANCE QUESTIONNAIRE FOR FY 2024- Motion was made by Mr. Davis and seconded by Mr. Bordelon to approve the compliance questionnaire for fiscal year 2024. Roll call vote was as follows:

YEAS: 7 (Pfiester, Bordelon, Harrison, Byers, Levatino, Wilde, Davis)  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: 1 (Milton)  
ABSTAIN: None  
NOT VOTING: None

D. DISCUSS AND APPROVE PURCHASE OF NEW FIREWALL FOR OFFICE COMPUTER SYSTEM- Motion was made by Mr. Davis and seconded by Mr. Harrison to approve the purchase of a new Sonic Wall firewall system at a cost of \$8,895.50. Roll call vote was as follows:

YEAS: 7 (Pfiester, Bordelon, Harrison, Byers, Levatino, Wilde, Davis)  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: 1 (Milton)  
ABSTAIN: None  
NOT VOTING: None

E. DISCUSS AND APPROVE BAD DEBT WRITE-OFF AND AUTHORIZE TO SEND TO COLLECTION COMPANY- Motion was made by Mr. Davis and seconded by Mr. Levatino to approve bad debt write-off in the amount of \$199,125.19. Roll call vote was as follows:

YEAS: 7 (Pfiester, Bordelon, Harrison, Byers, Levatino, Wilde, Davis)  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: 1 (Milton)  
ABSTAIN: None  
NOT VOTING: None

F. AMEND EFFECTIVE DATE OF EMPLOYEE RAISES FROM 1/10/2025 TO 1/24/2025- Motion was made by Mr. Wilde and seconded by Mr. Levatino to approve the amendment of the effective date of employee raises from January 10, 2025 to January 24, 2025. Roll call vote was as follows:

YEAS: 7 (Pfiester, Bordelon, Harrison, Byers, Levatino, Wilde, Davis)  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: 1 (Milton)  
ABSTAIN: None  
NOT VOTING: None

TABLED ITEMS – None

OLD BUSINESS-

Mr. Spangler gave brief updates on the following projects:

A. SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS FYR 2021

A1. NEW WELL AND TANK ON HWY 40 WEST- Motion was made by Mr. Wilde and seconded by Mr. Bordelon to approve Griner Drilling pay estimate no. 11 (2021 requisition no. 73) in the amount of \$266,410.40 and associated Spangler Engineering invoice no. 25-03 (2021 requisition no. 72) in the amount of \$11,394.25. Roll call vote was as follows:  
YEAS: 7 (Pfiester, Bordelon, Harrison, Byers, Levatino, Wilde, Davis)  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: 1 (Milton)  
ABSTAIN: None  
NOT VOTING: None

B. SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS FYR 2023

B1. BOOKER ELEVATED TANK- Motion was made by Mr. Bordelon and seconded by Mr. Wilde to approve Caldwell pay estimate no. 10 (2021 requisition no. 74) in the amount of \$26,793.56. Roll call vote was as follows:  
YEAS: 7 (Pfiester, Bordelon, Harrison, Byers, Levatino, Wilde, Davis)  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: 1 (Milton)  
ABSTAIN: None  
NOT VOTING: None

C. EASTERN HEIGHTS- Motion was made by Mr. Davis and seconded by Mr. Wilde to approve Spangler Engineering invoice no. 25-01 (2024 requisition no. 5) in the amount of \$36,757.45. Roll call vote was as follows:  
YEAS: 7 (Pfiester, Bordelon, Harrison, Byers, Levatino, Wilde, Davis)  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: 1 (Milton)  
ABSTAIN: None  
NOT VOTING: None

Motion was made by Mr. Wilde and seconded by Mr. Levatino to approve payment of Spangler Engineering invoice no. 25-02 (2024 requisition no. 5) in the amount of \$60,993.07. Roll call vote was as follows:  
YEAS: 7 (Pfiester, Bordelon, Harrison, Byers, Levatino, Wilde, Davis)  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: 1 (Milton)  
ABSTAIN: None  
NOT VOTING: None

D. ADMIN BUILDING CONSTRUCTION- None

COMMITTEE REPORTS- None

COMMISSIONERS PRIVILEGES – None

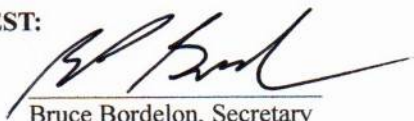
DIRECTOR'S REPORT –

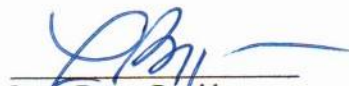
A. OPERATIONS- Mr. Schlicher gave a brief update on the Eastern Heights system customer transfers. No action taken.

A. FINANCIALS- None

With no further business appearing, on motion by Mr. Levatino and seconded by Mr. Wilde, Commissioners of the Tangipahoa Water District adjourned.

ATTEST:

  
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Bruce Bordelon, Secretary  
Tangipahoa Water District

  
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Larry Byers, President  
Tangipahoa Water District