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**MINUTES OF VIDEOCONFERENCE MEETING NO. 2335
COMMISSIONERS OF JEFFERSON COUNTY
JEFFERSON COUNTY DRAINAGE DISTRICT NO. 7**

Place: 4749 Twin City Highway, Suite
Port Arthur, Texas

Date: November 3, 2020

Present: Commissioners
Richard Beaumont
Lester Champagne
Billy Joe Butler
Phil Kelley, Manager
Pete Steele, Attorney

Absent: James Gamble, Sr.
Albert Moses, Jr.

Visitors: Brady Girouard, DD7
Dean Depew, DD7
Garrett Boudoin, DD7
Allen Sims, LJA Engineering

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m. by Chairman Beaumont after ascertaining that the Notice of Meeting had been posted in accordance with the law. Commissioner Champagne gave the invocation.

Minutes of Meeting No. 2334

The Minutes of Meeting No. 2334 was approved as read.

Sabine Pass to Galveston Bay Project Summary

Mr. Brady Girouard reported Contract 1 is progressing and the first 150 feet of deep soil mixing is getting started. Contract 2 is being readvertised for engineering because of the alignment change. Contract 3 is reaching the 65% design package which is being released this week. Relocates are being worked on and after meeting with Valero and viewing ground alignments, a few minor adjustments have been made

and relayed back to the Corps. A Reimbursement Agreement is expected to be received tomorrow from Valero. Relocate work will be performed by Valero with approved contractors due to the nature of their facility. They will solicit three (3) bids for the work, which will give credence to the District receiving credit for funds paid to Valero on Contract 1. Contract 3B is proceeding with real estate acquisitions and relocates and alignment are being staked on the ground. Contract 3A is reaching the 35% design effort. There is a Value Engineering Study in progress, which Allen Sims and Barron Cook are involved with on behalf of the District. Contract 4 has expanded its scope based on the latest hydraulic modeling, and conversations are underway to find out what all will be entailed. Contract 4 is expected to be broken into several contracts.

Manager's Miscellaneous Reports

Since the date of the last Commissioner's meeting, the following work has been done:

HFPL Maintenance/Herbicide Crew

Herbicide Application:

- Applying herbicide to HFPL surface road

Levee:

- Repairing various sections of HFPL damaged by hogs
- Repaired small holes on HFPL behind Total
- USACE-PL8499 repairs to HFPL at Station 116+00
- Leveled excess fill to grade on toe of HFPL near Tiger Bayou
- Filled potholes on HFPL road from Pine Top St. to PS 6

Misc.:

- Repaired barb wire fence on Johns Gully
- Removed and disposed a large plastic container from Main C canal that was caught on a pipeline crossing

Contractor:

- GP Evans Contractors LLC: Mowing HFPL & ROWs, Areas 5, 6, 10, 14 and 15

Control Center Operation and Pump Station Maintenance Report

- Blanchard trained at 8916
- Roy fab cooler pipe on new engine

- Roy, Brown work at 8907 on new engine
- Brown work at 8907 engines
- Blanchard record end of the month hours

- Roy worked 8907# 3 new engine
- Blanchard record utilities
- Blanchard, Roy worked 8907 on # 3 new engine
- Roy worked 8907 on # 3 new engine

- Roy pump bays for clean up
- Blanchard record utilities
- Roy fab engine stand for 8910
- Blanchard train at 8916 and enter data

- Roy fab engine stand 8910 # 5
- Blanchard fab engine stand 8910 # 5

- Blanchard train at 8916

- Roy, Brown fab engine frame for 8910 # 5
- Blanchard record utilities

- Roy, Brown fab engine frame for 8910 # 5
- Blanchard train at 8916 annex

- Roy, Brown fab engine frame for 8910 # 5

- Brown work at 8910 on engine frame

- Roy, James assemble engine on new frame for 8910
- Blanchard train 8916
- Blanchard record utilities
- Roy, James fab water coolant pipes on new engine at 8910

Construction Notes - Alligator Bayou Pump Station Annex
October 12, 2020 – October 23, 2020

Monday, October 12:

Alligator Project; Allco is working on site today. Weather conditions were sunny to partly cloudy. The site conditions were dry.

Allco superintendents (2) on site Mike Nunez (1) and Terrell (1) with (4) operators/laborers reported.

Electrical Specialties is on site (4) working with Yancey and working on other electrical systems in the station.

Yancey has one man on site working on wiring unit #1's engine panel.

Chapman is on site (3) checking for air leaks and trying to fix any that they find. The crew is pumping the system up to 180 psi; however, it was noted that the belts keep coming off the diesel air compressor.

Tuesday, October 13:

Alligator Project; Allco worked on site today. Weather conditions were sunny. The site conditions were dry.

Allco superintendents (2) on site Mike Nunez (1) and Terrell (1) with (4) operators/laborers reported.

Allco's crew is digging dirt out of the cofferdam.

Yancey has one man on site working on the wires on the CAT engines.

Electrical Specialties is on site (4) working on wiring inside of the station and working with Yancey.

Wednesday, October 14:

Alligator Project; Allco worked on site today. Weather conditions were sunny. The site conditions were dry.

Allco superintendents (2) on site Mike Nunez (1) and Terrell (1) with (6) operators/laborers reported.

Allco's crew is digging dirt out of the cofferdam.

Yancey has one man on site working on wiring the control panels to the CAT engines.

Electrical Specialties is on site (3) working with Yancey to get the CAT engines ready for test runs. The crew is also working on station wiring.

Scott Snyder and Allen Sims went to Grangers to order air tubing and fittings to hook up the air compressor to the clutches on units # 3, 4, 5, and 6.

Thursday, October 15:

Alligator Project; Allco worked on site today. Weather conditions were sunny. The site conditions were dry.

Allco superintendents (2) on site Mike Nunez (1) and Terrell (1) with (6) operators/laborers reported.

Allco's crew is digging dirt out of the cofferdam.

Yancey has one man on site working on the wiring to the CAT engines' control panels.

Electrical Specialties is on site (4) working with Yancey and on other electrical systems inside the station.

Scott Snyder finished rounding up material, air hoses and pipe fittings, to temporarily put air into units' # 1 and 2 clutches for test runs. He went to Granger and picked up tubing air fittings that were ordered yesterday.

Friday, October 16:

Alligator Project; Allco worked on site today. Weather conditions held light rain. The site conditions were dry.

Allco superintendents (2) on site Mike Nunez (1) and Terrell (1) with (?) operators/laborers reported.

Allco's crew is digging dirt out of the cofferdam.

Yancey has one man on site working on the wiring between the engines and control panels.

Electrical Specialties is on site (4) working on the station's electrical systems.

Monday, October 19:

Alligator Project; Allco is working on site today. Weather conditions were sunny. The site conditions were dry.

Allco superintendents (2) on site Mike Nunez (1) and Terrell (1) with (6) operators/laborers reported.

Allco's crew is digging dirt out of the cofferdam.

Electrical Specialties is on site (4) working on the engines' panel wiring and electrical systems.

Yancey has one man on site working on wiring unit #1's engine panel.

Three (3) expansion tanks were delivered to the station. Allen Sims, Scott Snyder, and Nathan W. installed the tanks on the angle gear coolant systems on units # 1, 2, and 3.

Tuesday, October 20:

Alligator Project; Allco worked on site today. Weather conditions were sunny. The site conditions were dry.

Allco superintendents (2) on site Mike Nunez (1) and Terrell (1) with (4) operators/laborers reported.

Allco's crew is water jetting along the sheet pile, getting the site ready for divers tomorrow.

Electrical Specialties is on site (4) working on electrical systems.

Nathan W. and Tony B. filled units' #1, 2, and 3 angle gear coolant systems with anti-freeze. Three (3) more expansion tanks for the angle gear coolant systems were delivered to the station. These tanks were installed on units # 4, 5, and 6.

Wednesday, October 21:

Alligator Project; Allco worked on site today. Weather conditions were partly cloudy. The site conditions were dry.

Allco superintendents (3) on site Mike Nunez (1), Kevin (1) and Terrell (1) with (6) operators/laborers reported.

Electrical Specialties is on site (3) working on the wiring system to the angle gears.

Diver Dan's crew is on site (3). The crew arrived around 12:30 pm and docked their boat at the station. The divers did not start cutting today, because they did not have oxygen on hand. They are planning to have oxygen tomorrow and begin cutting.

Nathan W. and Tony B. filled the angle gear expansion tanks with anti-freeze. It was noted that the tanks on units # 1, 3, 4, and 6 have leaks at the welds.

Thursday, October 22:

Alligator Project; Allco worked on site today. Weather conditions were partly cloudy. The site conditions were dry.

Allco superintendents (3) on site Mike Nunez (1), Terrell (1) and Kevin (1) with (6) operators/laborers reported.

Allco's crew removed the anti-freeze expansion tanks on units # 2, 3, 4, and 5 and sent them back to Seabreeze to have the leaks at the welds fixed. The crew is also working with Diver Dan's crew to remove the cut sheet pile at the cofferdam.

Diver Dan's crew is on site (3) cutting sheet pile off the cofferdam.

Electrical Specialties is on site (3) working on the station's electrical systems.

Wiesinger is on site (3) to double check the pump levels at North to South and East to West. The crew also rechecked the drive coupling run outs.

Pinnacle has a mechanic on site (1) to reinstall the drive belt running the diesel air compressor. Test runs were performed on the compressor 5 to 6 times and the belt remained secure. The mechanic also repaired the air leaks by unscrewing the pipes, resealing the threads, and reinstalling the pipes.

DD7's Nathan W. and Tony B. drained the coolant out of unit #3's angle gear keel cooler to reseal the two pipe plugs and tighten the bolts on the flanges at the cooler due to the existing leaks.

Friday, October 23:

Alligator Project; Allco worked on site today. Weather conditions were cloudy with rain showers on and off throughout the day. The site conditions were muddy.

Allco superintendents (1) on site Mike Nunez (1) with (4) operators/laborers reported.

Wiesinger is on site (3) checking the tightness of the anti-thrust brackets on the pumps located on the second-floor level of the station.

Electrical Specialties is on site (3) working on the electrical systems running to the angle gears.

DD7's Scott Snyder, Nathan W., and Tony B. drained unit #3's engine water jacket keel cooler to be able to reseal and tighten the drain plug on the cooler. The guys then refilled the engine and checked for leaks. No leaks were reported at this time.

Mr. Phil Kelley stated, as Brady Girouard already mentioned, that a Value Engineering Study is in progress on Contract 3A of the Sabine Pass to Galveston Bay Project. This process goes on for four (4) days wherein contract engineers, Corps representatives, local sponsors and stakeholders are involved in reviewing the current design(s) and submitting ideas on what can be done easier, better and/or cheaper. Mr. Kelley participated in two (2) days of the process and stated he did learn a few things.

Mr. Kelley stated the Rodair Gully Study had been put on the District's website for public comment and asked Allen Sims if he had received any comments. Mr. Sims said he had received some information from personal contacts that there were some errors on a couple of maps. These errors are being corrected.

Mr. Allen Sims gave a brief update report on the Alligator Bayou Pump Station Annex Project and stated they are striving hard to get to the November 16 startup date. There are some little issues with the local control panels, and they are working with the supplier to get them onsite regarding the PLCs for each individual engine. The goal is to have the issues taken care of by Friday of next week so they will be ready to test the pumps on Monday November 16. Allco will only supply one pump to pump water out of the canal into the forebay so that testing can occur. The District is currently getting quotes for a couple of additional rental pumps to speed up the testing which will hopefully reduce the costs of testing. Once the issues on the engines are resolved and testing is complete, the contractor will finish removing the sheet pile and will pour the

small section of the parking lot to finish up the project. Mr. Kelley stated once the pumps are proven and the job is complete, request can be made for the last reimbursement request to TDEM and FEMA. Allen Sims is working with the general contractor and going through different notes and change orders that have been being held throughout the project. A substantial Change Order will be submitted at the next meeting. Mr. Sims stated his goal is to have something to the Board next week so they will have time to review the Change Order and call him with any questions. The Change Order will contain approximately 40 items that have occurred over the 5-year period.

Permits

Port Arthur Terminals, LLC–USD Group - Proposed Single Span Rail Bridge Crossing Atlantic Main Lateral 1-A. Mr. Garrett Boudoin recommended approval with a Five Hundred Fifty and No/100 (\$550.00) Dollar permit fee and no bond required. Commissioner Champagne moved to approve Mr. Boudoin's recommendation. Commissioner Butler seconded the motion. The Chairman voted aye. The motion carried.

Kroozin FM 347 Real Estate – Proposed Drainage Entry into Pear Ridge Lateral A-1 with 18-Inch Pipe. Mr. Garrett Boudoin recommended approval with a Two Hundred Fifty and No/100 (\$250.00) Dollar permit fee and no bond required. Commissioner Champagne moved to approve Mr. Boudoin's recommendation. Commissioner Butler seconded the motion. The Chairman voted aye. The motion carried.

Spectrum Gulf Coast LLC – Proposed Coaxial Cable Bore Crossing Under Heisler Ditch. Mr. Garrett Boudoin recommended approval with a Five Hundred Fifty and No/100 (\$550.00) Dollar permit fee and no bond required. Commissioner Champagne moved to approve Mr. Boudoin’s recommendation. Commissioner Butler seconded the motion. The Chairman voted aye. The motion carried.

Mr. Phil Kelley stated he failed to mention and let Mr. Dean Depew speak on the fact that the fourth diesel engine replacement is installed at Pump Station No. 10. Mr. Depew reported that the engine has been ran, but not long enough to meet Cummins’ specifications of at least fifteen (15) minutes. It did run and sound good. Cummins will be back out on Friday to fully run the engine and sign off on it. Mr. Depew also reported that two (2) of the additional four (4) engines and gears should be received by the end of January and these two (2) engines will go to Pump Station No. 8.

Checks and Purchase Orders
Maintenance Fund

Ck. No. 17304 – Dan Delich Consulting
\$1,500.00 – Legislative Consulting Fees

Ck. No. 17305 – Dannenbaum Engineering Corp.
\$28,115.79 – Sabine Pass to Galveston Bay Project (2) and
Engineering Fees

Ck. No. 17306 – Duck’s Dragline Service, Inc.
\$15,900.00 – Rental LS 250X4 Trackhoe 10/16-10/29/20, Cutter Head
10/22-10/26/20 and LS250X3 Trackhoe 10/16-10/29/20

Ck. No. 17307 – ESRI, Inc.
\$3,200.54 – ArcGIS Desktop Standard Concurrent Use Primary
Maintenance Contract, 10/19/18-11/30/20

Ck. No. 17308 – Filmr, LLC
\$228.00 – Social Media Post

Ck. No. 17309 – Function 4 LLC
\$188.99 – Konmin Copier Rental, 10/15-11/14/20

Ck. No. 17310 – GP Evans Contractors
\$27,184.80 – Levee Mowing

Ck. No. 17311 – James Gamble, Sr.
\$270.00 – Health Insurance Payment

Ck. No. 17312 – Jeffrey S. Ward & Associates, Inc.
\$5,833.33 – Groves Detention HMGP Project and
Halbouty Detention HMGP Project

Ck. No. 17313 – Mazzanti & Associates, LLC
\$2,500.00 – Legislative Consulting Fees

Ck. No. 17314 – Nerbert Frelow
\$1,440.00 – Rental of Dump Truck 10/16-10/2020

Ck. No. 17315 – Port Arthur Newsmedia, LLC
\$2,258.40 – Advertising for Application to TX General Land Office
and for Amended Notice of Election

Ck. No. 17316 - Ray Russo
\$3,700.00 – Legislative Consulting Fees

Ck. No. 17317- Texan Engineering & Consulting, LLC
\$15,120.00 – HMGP Projects, Permit Reviews, General Engineering
Services, Shamrock Lateral 3 and A3A Crossings

Ck. No. 17318 – Texas Water Conservation Association
\$1,425.00 – Legislative News Subscription-Members

Ck. No. 17319 – TX Dept of Agriculture
\$75.00 – Renewal of Herbicide License for Bruce Kirkgard

Ck. No. 17320 – Wells Fargo Remittance System
\$1,255.20 – Travel, Fuel, Office Supplies and Notary Renewals

Ck. No. 5010 – Dannenbaum Engineering Corp.
\$23,490.47 – Sabine Pass to Galveston Bay Project


Commissioner Butler moved that the checks from the Maintenance Fund be approved for payment. Commissioner Champagne seconded the motion. The Chairman voted aye. The motion carried.

Chairman Beaumont asked for any public comments and/or questions. There were none.

At 2:20 p.m., Commissioner Butler moved that the meeting be adjourned. Commissioner Champagne seconded the motion. The Chairman voted aye. The motion carried.



Billy Joe Butler, Secretary



Richard Beaumont, Chairman