

1 **MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL CALL MEETING OF THE**
2 **SABINE RIVER AUTHORITY**
3 **STATE OF LOUISIANA**
4 **BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**
5 **CYPRESS BEND RESORT CONFERENCE CENTER**
6 **2000 CYPRESS BEND PARKWAY**
7 **MANY, LA**
8 **1:00PM THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 22ND , 2011**
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11 **MEMBERS PRESENT:** **Mr. Robert Conyer, Chairman**
12 **Mr. Stanley Vidrine, Vice-Chairman**
13 **Mr. Bobby Williams, Secretary**
14 **Mr. Norman Arbuckle**
15 **Mr. C.A. Burgess**
16 **Mr. Daniel Cupit**
17 **Mr. Carlton Gibson**
18 **Mr. Ned Goodeaux**
19 **Mr. Larry Kelly**
20 **Mr. Therman Nash**
21 **Mrs. Estella Scott**
22 **Mr. Kermie Valentine**
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25 **MEMBERS ABSENT:** **Mr. Byron Gibbs**
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27 **OTHERS PRESENT:** **Jim Pratt, Executive Director-SRA, Many, LA**
28 **Becky Anderson, Adm Asst 5-SRA, Many, LA**
29 **Mike Carr, Fac Maint Mgr 3-SRA, Many, LA**
30 **Carl Chance, IT Consultant 1-SRA, Many, LA**
31 **Kellie Ferguson, Adm Prog Dir3-SRA, Many, LA**
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33 **There were thirty (30)visitors.**
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36 Mr. Conyer called the meeting to order. Mr. Nash offered the Prayer and Mr.
37 Conyer led the Pledge of Allegiance. The roll was called and it was noted that all
38 commissioners were present and a quorum was established.

39 Mr. Conyer asked if there were any additions or deletions to the agenda.
40 Hearing none, he asked for a motion to adopt the agenda as circulated. **Mr. Arbuckle**
41 **moved, seconded by Mr. Valentine to adopt the agenda as circulated. Motion**
42 **carried unanimously.**

43 **OLD BUSINESS: #1-Review of the Re-licensing Application: Public Comments**
44 were made by Mrs. Gloria Thompson concerning the local economy due to the low lake
45 level and drought. Mrs. Thompson asked the Board if there had been any consideration
46 as to cutting more stumps if the lake level does not rise as well as continued dredging to
47 allow public access to the lake. Mr. Conyer stated that the Board would be looking at
48 future options due to the lake level and would take her suggestions under advisement.
49 Mr. Melton Neal, a local developer, asked if the water sales would put the lake level in a

1 better position than the power generation and he had some concerns about the revised
2 Shoreline Management Plan that will be forthcoming due to the re-licensing application.
3 Mr. Conyer and Mr. Pratt assured Mr. Neal that the 168' msl law would also affect the
4 water sales contract, if in fact one is established. Mr. Pratt stated that the Shoreline
5 Management Plan would be review for the public once FERC had the opportunity to
6 review and express their opinion as well as various other agencies that are involved with
7 the re-licensing project. Mr. Conyer thanked both parties for their input.

8 Mr. Mel Swaboda, consultant for re-licensing, took the floor to review the
9 application. He stated that the formal application filing date is September 30th. He
10 continued that the re-licensing application meets all requirements. He stated that Mr.
11 Chuck Sensiba, legal counsel for the project, would discuss the application. Mr. Sensiba
12 stated that the application consists of three plans. He stated these plans are the Shoreline
13 Management Plan, the Recreation Plan and the Historical Preservation Plan. He stated
14 that a preliminary draft of these plans has been include with the formal application, but
15 within approximately ninety (90) days, the final draft of the plans would be submitted to
16 FERC. He stated that once FERC has reviewed the preliminary draft of the plans,
17 commits would be forthcoming from the various resource agencies which would require a
18 review by the Authorities of Louisiana and Texas to address. He continued that all of the
19 plans submitted must not only meet requirements of FERC, but be a creditable proposal
20 to manage the overall project. Mr. Sensiba introduced Mr. John Devine, consultant with
21 HDR, who discussed the downstream flows and how future operations would impact the
22 area. Discussions concerning all the management plans and their flexibility to the project
23 especially during drought times were reflected upon.

24 Mr. Conyer asked for a motion to approve the re-licensing application to be
25 submitted to the FERC on September 30th, 2011. **Mr. Kelly moved, seconded by Mr.**
26 **Arbuckle to approve the submittal of the Re-licensing Application for the Toledo**
27 **Bend Project to FERC on September 30th, 2011 as presented. Motion carried**
28 **unanimously.**

29 Mr. Conyer reminded the Board that the next meeting would October 27th, 2011 at
30 the Pendleton Bridge Office.

1 With no further business to discuss, Mr. Conyer asked for a motion to adjourn.

2 **Mr. Cupit moved, seconded by Mr. Vidrine to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting**
3 **adjourned at 2:58pm.**

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ROBERT CONYER, CHAIRMAN

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STANLEY VIDRINE, VICE-CHAIRMAN

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BOBBY WILLIAMS, SECRETARY