

1 **MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE**
2 **SABINE RIVER AUTHORITY**
3 **STATE OF LOUISIANA**
4 **BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**
5 **WATER SALES COMMITTEE**
6 **CYPRESS BEND CONFERENCE CENTER**
7 **2000 CYPRESS BEND PARKWAY**
8 **MANY, LA**
9 **6:00PM THURSDAY, MARCH 22ND, 2012**

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12 **MEMBERS PRESENT:** **Mr. Larry Kelly, Chairman**
13 **Mr. Norman Arbuckle**
14 **Mr. Ned Goodeaux**
15 **Mr. Bobby Williams**

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17 **MEMBERS ABSENT:** **Mr. C.A. Burgess**
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20 **OTHERS PRESENT:** **Jim Pratt, Executive Director-SRA, Many, LA**
21 **Becky Anderson, Adm Asst 5-SRA, Many, LA**
22 **Carl Chance, IT Director-SRA, Many, LA**
23 **Kellie Ferguson, Adm Prog Dir3-SRA, Many, LA**
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25 **There were forty-nine visitors.**

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27 Mr. Kelly called the meeting to order. He dispensed with the Prayer and the
28 Pledge of allegiance. The roll was called and it was noted that Mr. Burgess was absent;
29 however, a quorum was established.

30 Mr. Kelly asked if there were any additions or deletions to the agenda. Hearing
31 none, he asked for a motion to adopt the agenda as circulated. **Mr. Goodeaux moved,**
32 **seconded by Mr. Arbuckle to adopt the agenda as circulated. Motion carried**
33 **unanimously.**

34 Public Comments: Addressing the Committee were Ted Dove, Ken Freeman and
35 Joe Palermo each stating concerns about the previous contract for out-of-state water
36 sales. Mr. Dove spoke on behalf of the TBCAC who read various emails between Jim
37 Pratt and Toledo Bend Partners concerning the proposed contract which was suspended
38 on January 12th 2012 which was acquired through the Freedom of Information Act
39 request, and expressed to the Committee as he had done during the Board meeting prior
40 to the Committee meeting that all of the information released concerning the proposed
41 water sale contract with TB Partners had been released to the press. Mr. Kelly assured
42 those present that the purpose of the meeting was to answer some of the questions that
43 had been asked by interested citizens during the time of the survey concerning the
44 possible water sales contract.

1 OLD BUSINESS: Item #1- Review of Survey Questions: Mr. Kelly and Mr.
2 Pratt did a presentation by power point which explained how the Toledo Bend Reservoir
3 is operated due to the laws and regulations set forth by Federal and State
4 agencies/legislation. Mr. Kelly stated the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
5 (FERC) issued the license for the project and approves the plans that regulates the
6 shoreline management, recreation management as well as the dam safety and operations.
7 He continued that of utmost importance is the regulation of the downstream flow to meet
8 specific requirements such as environmental purposes and that it 144cfs (cubic ft per
9 second) which is 244 acre ft per 24-hr period. He stated that legislation was enacted to
10 stop normal power generation would at 168'f msl at which time, only minimum
11 downstream flow would be necessary or power could be produced for several other
12 reasons such as blackouts. He stated power produced is considered Primary and
13 Secondary; if combined; there is an average of approximately 205,000 Megawatt hours
14 produced annually at Toledo Bend. The Power Sales Agreement between the two
15 Authorities determines the amount of power produced, not FERC. He continued that the
16 Peaking Period is May through September and to produce the 65,700 MWHS needed
17 during this time requires 1,058,000 Acre ft of water from Toledo Bend. He stated that
18 Toledo Bend is not designed nor operated as a flood control reservoir. He explained the
19 effects that the water sale proposal would have had on the reservoir; he did state that
20 Board had voted in January to suspend any discussions pertaining to out-of-state water
21 sales until the State has completed a comprehensive surface water plan. He thanked
22 everyone for their interests. (see attached presentation.)

23 NEW BUSINESS: None.

24 With no further business to discuss, Mr. Kelly asked for a motion to adjourn. **Mr.**
25 **Goodeaux moved, seconded by Mr. Arbuckle to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting**
26 **adjourned at 7:45p.m.**

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LARRY KELLY, CHAIRMAN