



1 STAFF REPORTS: #1-TBPJO: Mr. Pratt stated that the lake level was 170.63  
2 with no generation being performed. He stated that it might be necessary to run the  
3 following week for a few hours for downstream flow purposes.

4 Item #2-Re-licensing Update: Mr. Chance stated that the Spring sampling for the  
5 aquatic study was being done. He stated that another species, the red shiner had been  
6 caught which added a species to the list. He stated that the mussel-vertebrae study has  
7 begun below the powerhouse. He stated staff was preparing preliminaries of the project  
8 boundaries showing the reconveyances. He stated that the Hazardous Mitigation Plan  
9 still working on approval from FEMA. He stated that he had spoken to the Many Rotary  
10 Club and to the Sabine Parish 4-H Clubs.

11 Item #3- Operational Reports: Mr. Carr stated that the Cypress Bend Event  
12 Pavilion project is completed and has already been used for several events. He stated that  
13 the project did run over the \$60,000 which was to be spent in the current year knowing it  
14 would be a three year project due to certain limitations; however, the entire building cost  
15 was \$90,000 and it is complete. He stated that future plans that might considered is  
16 making a connection between the two pavilions. He stated that the curtains that had been  
17 used belonged to the Toledo Bend Oilmen's Tournament director, who plans to work  
18 with other entities to purchase more curtains that can be used for other events. He stated  
19 that the concrete had been poured for the new maintenance building. He stated that the  
20 materials for the building have arrived and staff will start construction of the building  
21 next week. He stated that SRA has not received the "driveway" permit from DOTD. He  
22 stated that bids are out for the fencing to go around the building. He stated that most of  
23 the old fence will be replaced. He continued that at Cypress Bend, there are a total of 42  
24 concrete RV pads with four more prepared for pouring next week. He stated that the  
25 materials for the office at Cypress Bend has been delivered to our supplier. He stated that  
26 culverts are being installed and once the drainage is completed staff will begin the actual  
27 office building. He stated that SRA had hosted a Crappie USA Tournament that did not  
28 have very good participation so next year Crappie Masters whose sponsor is Bass Pro,  
29 has been invited to hold a tournament on Toledo Bend Reservoir.

30 PUBLIC COMMENTS: Mrs. Diane Lampman, President of the South Toledo  
31 Bend Water District addressed the Board with the concern of fishermen tying up to the

1 water intake structure to fish. She stated that she had contacted the Sheriff's Department  
2 as well as Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries and had not had much success  
3 with enforcing any citations by these groups. She stated that the signs warning fishermen  
4 about trespassing on the so-called property had been torn down. During the discussion,  
5 Mr. Carr suggested perhaps using a buoy system to "rope off the area" might help or  
6 adding "kickers" to the structure approximately 8 to 10 ft long and attach fencing to those  
7 to protect the intake structure. It was explained to Mrs. Lampman that the intake  
8 structure belonged to the water district and it would be left up to them to handle the  
9 situation.

10 OLD BUSINESS: SRD Siphon Repair-Authorization for Change Orders: Mr.  
11 Carr stated that a pre-construction meeting was held on April 12<sup>th</sup> with Boh Brothers  
12 Construction who was the successful bidder. He stated that the plan was to start April  
13 26<sup>th</sup>, but moved the start date to May 3<sup>rd</sup>. He stated that on May 1<sup>st</sup> the drawdown on the  
14 canal would begin. He stated that the KCS crossing would be done first due to the  
15 availability of the rental equipment that would be needed to place the corrugated pipe.  
16 He stated that other two siphons would be concurrently. He stated that staff felt that there  
17 would be some change orders on this project and a request was being made that  
18 authorization be given to the Executive Director and/or Facility Maintenance Manager to  
19 sign off on these change orders. **Mr. Williams moved, seconded by Mr. Cupit to**  
20 **authorize the Executive Director or the Facility Maintenance Manager to approve**  
21 **or deny any change orders during the SRD Siphon Repair Project. Motion carried**  
22 **unanimously.**

23 NEW BUSINESS: Item #1-Approve February and March Financial Report: Mrs.  
24 Ferguson stated that the report had been circulated within the Board packet. She stated  
25 that revenues for the Toledo Bend Office for the month of February were \$664,326.62;  
26 expenditures were \$666,682.88 showing a loss of \$2,356.88. She stated that the  
27 revenues for March were \$1,376,386.55; expenditures were \$707,396.74 showing a profit  
28 of \$668,989.81. She continued that for the Sabine Diversion Canal Office revenues for  
29 the month of February were \$286,456.11; expenditures were \$137,576.98 showing a  
30 profit of \$148,879.13. She stated that revenues for the month of March were  
31 \$372,813.45; expenditures were \$240,453.11 showing a profit of \$132,360.34. **Mr.**

1 **Cupit moved, seconded by Mr. Arbuckle to accept the February and March 2010**  
2 **Financial Reports as circulated and presented. Motion carried unanimously.** Mrs.  
3 Ferguson called everyone's attention to the report entitled Diversion Canal Major repairs.  
4 She stated that authorization had already been given to spend \$150,000 in the Board  
5 budget. She stated that thus far this account is \$81,500 in the red. She stated that staff is  
6 requesting to transfer funds from the Toledo Bend Major Repair account to this account  
7 to cover the final expenses of those repairs at the Diversion Canal. **Mr. Valentine**  
8 **moved, seconded by Mr. Cupit to authorize the transfer of funds from the Toledo**  
9 **Bend Major Repair account to the Diversion Canal Major Repair account in the**  
10 **amount of \$81,500. Motion carried unanimously.** Mrs. Ferguson stated that one other  
11 item that needed attention was to close out the Cypress Bend Park Pavilion as complete  
12 and to ratify the expenditure of \$90,000 instead of the original \$60,000. **Mr. Cupit**  
13 **moved, seconded by Mr. Arbuckle to ratify the expenditure of \$90,000 on the**  
14 **Cypress Bend Park Pavilion and to consider the project completed and closed out.**  
15 **Motion carried unanimously.** Mrs. Ferguson stated that she explained to the Board last  
16 year, that SRA must hold \$750,000 in a C&R account and an operating account of  
17 \$50,000. She continued that these accounts have been with the Bank of New York. She  
18 stated that the fee for handling these accounts at Bank of New York is \$7,500 a year. She  
19 continued that Texas has these same accounts in the same bank. She stated that in  
20 checking with Hancock Bank who holds the SRA 2005 Bonds, the fee would only be  
21 \$1,000 versus the \$7,500; so in order to keep from SRA Louisiana moving the accounts,  
22 Bank of New York has sent an agreement stating they would continue to handle the  
23 accounts for \$1,000 instead of the \$7,500. She stated that the agreement needs to be  
24 signed and staff is requesting that the Executive Director be authorized to handle this  
25 transaction. **Mr. Burgess moved, seconded by Mr. Arbuckle to authorize the**  
26 **Executive Director to execute the agreement documents with Bank of New York to**  
27 **continue to handle the SRA/LA C&R account and the SRA/LA Operating account**  
28 **for a fee of \$1,000.00. Motion carried unanimously.** Mr. Pratt thanked Mrs. Ferguson  
29 for her diligent work to reduce these banking fees.

30 Item #2-Resolution to the Civil Service Commission to exempt SRA employees  
31 from proposed Merit Raise Freeze- July 2, 2010 to June 30, 2011: Mr. Pratt stated that

1 when SRA had cash flow problems during the “drought” year, the State did not provide  
2 any funding to SRA and the employees stepped up to the call of duty and did everything  
3 ensure our facilities and day-to-day operations continued even with a reduced work week  
4 and workforce. **Mr. Cupit moved, seconded by Mr. Vidrine to adopt the resolution**  
5 **to the Civil Service Commission to exempt SRA employees from proposed Merit**  
6 **Raise Freeze beginning July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2011. Motion carried unanimously.**

7 COMMITTEE REPORTS: Item #1-Diversion Canal. No meeting.

8 #2-Development & Parks: Mr. Goodeaux stated that the Committee had not met.

9 #3-Leaseback & Cutting/Marking: Mr. Conyer stated that the Committee had not  
10 met.

11 SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS: Item #1-Finance & Personnel: Mr.

12 Williams stated that the Committee had not met.

13 #2-Fishery & Lake Management: Mr. Cupit stated that the Committee had not  
14 met.

15 #3-Water Sales: Mr. Vidrine stated that the Committee had not met.

16 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT: Mr. Pratt stated that Senator Long had  
17 sponsored Bill #49 asking that SRA become a non-budgetary entity of the State. He  
18 stated that a proposal had been received from an individual wanting to sell water from  
19 Toledo Bend concerning the Haynesville Shale Operations, but after consideration of the  
20 proposal, the terms of the request were not conducive for SRA. He continued that the  
21 Attorney General’s office had contacted the SRA to discuss water rates. He stated that  
22 Chesapeake had sponsored the first Haynesville Shale Fishing Tournament at San Miguel  
23 and termed it a great success and plan to return again next year. He stated that according  
24 to Gary Tilyew with the La Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, fishing on Toledo  
25 Bend is great! He complimented Sissy Norwood, park manager at Oak Ridge Park-Site 2  
26 for a great job and that park has never looked better. **Mr. Goodeaux moved, seconded**  
27 **by Mr. Arbuckle to approve the Executive Director’s Report as circulated and**  
28 **presented. Motion carried unanimously.**

29 LEGAL REPORT: None.

1           Mr. Kelly stated that the next meeting would be June 30, 2010 at 1:00pm at the  
2 Pendleton Bridge Office. Mr. Pratt interjected that during the month of May, staff would  
3 like to reserve this month for Committee meetings if the need so arises.

4           With no further business to discuss, Mr. Kelly asked for a motion to adjourn. **Mr.**  
5 **Cupit moved, seconded by Mr. Vidrine to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting**  
6 **adjourned at 2:27pm.**

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**LARRY KELLY, CHAIRMAN**

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**NED GOODEAUX, SECRETARY**

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