

1 that the elbow repair work is still in progress. Mr. Pratt asked Mr. Carr to explain details
2 of the drowning at Cypress Bend Park during Memorial Day weekend. Mr. Carr stated
3 that on Friday, May 22nd a 35 year-old male was on a boating trip with his wife and
4 several children when he and a younger child flipped off a tube that was being pulled
5 behind the boat. He stated that the boat launch, the fishing pier, swimming/beach area as
6 well as the playground area until Sunday morning when a decision was made to wait until
7 the “body” surfaced. He continued that the body was recovered on Tuesday morning.
8 Mr. Kelly stated that other staff reports had been circulated in the packet and he asked for
9 a motion to approve all staff reports. **Mr. Racca moved, seconded by Mr. Burgess to**
10 **accept all staff reports as circulated and presented. Motion carried.**

11 PUBLIC COMMENTS: None.

12 OLD BUSINESS: Item #1-Industrial Water Sales Contract-SRD: Mr. Pratt stated
13 that a final draft of the industrial water sales contract had been finalized by the SRA
14 attorney. He stated that staff had worked very diligently for the past six months along
15 with legal counsel to get all parties to agree to the terms of the contract. He stated that
16 there were eleven (11) customers who have all come to terms with the new proposed
17 contract which is for Twenty-five years (25) with a five-year renewable clause. After
18 some discussion, **Mr. Goodeaux moved, seconded by Mr. Valentine to table any**
19 **action until a “special call” meeting could be held on Tuesday, June 2nd, 2009 at**
20 **10am. Motion carried unanimously.**

21 NEW BUSINESS: Item #1- Approve Financial Report for April '09: Mrs.
22 Ferguson stated that the financials were circulated within the Board packet. She
23 continued that revenues for SRA-Toledo Bend Division were \$846,684.17; expenditures
24 were \$567,484.31 showing a profit of \$279,199.86. She stated that the Diversion Canal
25 report showed revenues in the amount of \$160,463.38; expenditures of \$120,680.32 with
26 a profit of \$39,783.06. She continued that the year-to-date revenue was \$4,454,020.71
27 with expenditures of \$5,456, 909.97 showing a loss of \$1,002,889.26. Hearing no further
28 discussion, Mr. Kelly asked for a motion to accept the Financial Report for April '09 as
29 circulated and presented. **Mr. Cupit moved, seconded by Mrs. Scott to accept the**
30 **Financial Report for April '09 as circulated and presented. Motion carried**
31 **unanimously.**

1 Item #2-Adopt Resolution to State Civil Service Commission: Mr. Pratt stated
2 that the State Civil Service Commission would be having a hearing to discuss “freezing
3 all 4% merit increase for Fiscal year 2009-2010. He continued that staff had prepared a
4 resolution requesting an exemption for all SRA employees. He stated that when funds
5 were “tight” at SRA, all employees had to endure cutbacks to help SRA through the
6 “crunch” during the drought. He continuing that the State did not offer any monetary help
7 thus it is felt that since SRA is self-supporting through self-generated funds, that SRA
8 employees should be exempted from the action to be taken by the State Civil Service
9 Commission. He stated that a hearing would be held on Wednesday, June 3rd and he
10 planned to be there and present the resolution if the Board so chooses to adopt one. **Mr.**
11 **Williams moved, seconded by Mr. Arbuckle to adopt the resolution requesting that**
12 **SRA employees be exempted from any proposed action as the result of the State**
13 **Civil Service Commission hearing held on June 3rd, 2009. Motion carried**
14 **unanimously.**

15 Item #3-Approve Commissioner Racca’s Expenses for the Louisiana State FFA
16 Meeting: Mr. Pratt stated that Commissioner Racca has accepted an invitation to attend
17 the LA State FFA Convention in Monroe on behalf of the Board to present scholarships
18 to the winners of the Gulf Coast Restoration Speaking Contest. He stated that SRA
19 sponsors small scholarships to the first, second, and third place winners in the contest.
20 **Mr. Arbuckle moved, seconded by Mr. Valentine to approve Commissioner Racca’s**
21 **expenses to travel to the LA State FFA Convention in Monroe from June 2nd-5th on**
22 **behalf of the SRA Board of Commissioners to present scholarships to the contest**
23 **winners. Motion carried unanimously.**

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

25 #2-Development & Parks: No meeting.

26 #3-Leaseback & Cutting/Marking: Mr. Conyer stated that the committee had met
27 on May 20th, 2009. He stated that the Committee had met and discussed several pipeline
28 requests from LA Midstream to cross SRA’s pipeline that provides water to International
29 Paper. He stated that the Committee recommends to the Board to approve the pipeline
30 crossing requests. **Mr. Williams moved, seconded by Mr. Valentine to approve the**
31 **eight pipeline crossing requests from LA Midstream. Motion carried unanimously.**

1 Mr. Conyer stated that the Committee discussed liens against leaseback holder; permit
2 fees and a potential leaseback problem with Bass Haven Resort, but took no action.

3 SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS: Item #1-Finance & Personnel: No meeting.

4 #2-Fishery & Lake Management: No meeting.

5 #3-Water Sales: No meeting.

6 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Mr. Pratt stated that he had done some
7 research about the Sparta Aquifer and discovered that there are multiple states involved
8 with this water issue. He stated that LA Department of Wildlife & Fisheries Crews
9 would be spraying the Giant Salvinia up in the DeSoto Parish region and then working
10 south beginning Monday, June 1st through Friday June 5th. He stated that to help defray
11 the costs to the Department of Wildlife & Fisheries, SRA was providing the lodging at
12 San Miguel and the Toledo Bend Lake Association was providing the meals for the
13 crews. He stated that he had spoken to the Cameron Police Jury concerning water sales
14 from the Toledo Bend Reservoir. He stated that for the re-licensing process, a video has
15 been made that follows the path from Sabine Lake to the Toledo Bend Dam. He stated
16 that he would not be taking his days off due to other family commitments as stated within
17 his written report that was circulated in the Board packet. **Mr. Goodeaux moved,**
18 **seconded by Mr. Racca to approve the Executive Director's Report as circulated**
19 **and presented. Motion carried unanimously.**

20 LEGAL REPORT: None.

21 Mr. Kelly stated that the Sabine River Compact would be meeting at Cypress
22 Bend Golf Resort & Conference Center on Thursday, June 4th and Friday, June 5th. Mr.
23 Pratt stated that a reception would be held at 5:30pm and invited all members present to
24 attend if they so choose.

25 Mr. Kelly stated that the next meeting would be June 25th at 1:00pm at the
26 Pendleton Bridge Office and the "Special Call Meeting" would be held at 10:00am on
27 Tuesday, June 2, 2009.

28 With no further business to discuss, Mr. Kelly asked for a motion to adjourn. **Mr.**
29 **Cupit moved, seconded by Mr. Burgess to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting**
30 **adjourned at 2:33pm.**

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