

**MINUTES OF VIDEOCONFERENCE MEETING NO. 2467
COMMISSIONERS OF
JEFFERSON COUNTY DRAINAGE DISTRICT NO. 7**

Place: 3400 Highway 73
Port Arthur, Texas

Date: May 19, 2026

Present: Commissioners
Richard Beaumont
Lester Champagne
Albert Moses, Jr.
Matthew Vincent
James Gamble, Sr.

Allen Sims, General Manager
Nathan Brandimarte, Attorney for District

Visitors: Toby Davis, DD7
Barron Cook, DD7
Garrett Boudoin, DD7
Brian McZeal, DD7
Terry Wade, DD7
Brady Girouard, DD7
Keith Zotzky, Arceneaux Wilson & Cole

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 Moses gave the invocation. Chairman Beaumont led the pledge of allegiance.

Minutes of Meeting No. 2466

The Minutes of Meeting No. 2466 were approved as read.

Consider Approval for Staff to Attend TWA Summer Conference

Mr. Sims stated that the TWA 2026 Summer Conference will be held in Horseshoe Bay, Texas June 17 - 19, 2026 and asked for approval to attend. Commissioner Moses

moved that any Commissioner and/or staff be authorized to attend. Commissioner Champagne seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Sabine Pass to Galveston Bay Summary

Mr. Allen Sims stated that work is underway to prepare Contract 3C for bidding later this year. The District is also coordinating several utility relocations and land acquisitions, one of which will need to be discussed during executive session today. Mr. Sims reported that the PACR remains on schedule for approval in June 2026.

Commissioner Vincent inquired about the status of negotiations with the railroad. Mr. Sims stated that a meeting was held with the Federal Railroad Commission, during which advice was provided; however, there has been no significant progress to report at this time. He further stated that the Corps may request that the District retain an engineer to perform an evaluation and compile supporting data for presentation to the Canadian Pacific Kansas City Railroad. Mr. Sims added that he anticipates a future meeting involving Canadian Pacific Kansas City Railroad, the Corps, and DD7.

Manager Reports

Mr. Allen Sims reported that bids for the Emergency Operations Center are due June 9, 2026. Bids for the diesel engines and reduction gears for the Memorial and Houston Pump Stations are due June 2, 2026.

Mr. Sims stated that the slab for the equipment shed has been poured, and the concrete piles will be poured when weather permits. The shed materials have been delivered, and upon completion, all District equipment will be housed under cover. He further stated that the next project will be a joint effort between the District and the City of Port Arthur on Rice Farm Road.

Mr. Sims reported that an incident occurred yesterday involving one of the District's contractors. The contractor struck an exposed and unmarked pipeline with a grinding wheel. All required safety measures were followed, no injuries occurred, repairs were completed, and the pipeline was returned to service at 7:00 a.m. this morning.

Mr. Sims stated that the District auctioned surplus equipment and received approximately \$41,000 in proceeds.

Mr. Sims also reported that all closures are currently being exercised in preparation for hurricane season.

Permits

Trident Intrastate Pipeline, LLC submitted a permit for proposed 20-inch natural gas pipeline at grade crossing of the HFPL near Sta. 1302+00. The permit fee is 550.00. Mr. Garrett Boudoin recommended approval subject to the special conditions contained within the permit. Commissioner Moses moved to approve the permit requested by Trident Intrastate Pipeline, LLC as recommended by Mr. Boudoin. Commissioner Vincent seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Checks and Purchase Orders

Maintenance Fund

Ck. No. 28358 – Airgas USA, LLC
\$486.00 – Multiple Cylinder Rentals

Ck. No. 28359 – Allen Sims
\$1,775.03 – National Waterways Conference Travel Reimbursement

Ck. No. 28360 – Architectural Alliance Incorporated
\$943.00 – New Breakroom Architectural Services

Ck. No. 28361 – Blue Cross Blue Sheild of Texas.
\$188.37 – Health Insurance Payment

Ck. No. 28362 – Cintas Corp.
\$98.95 – Traffic Matt & Hand Sanitizer Service – Administration Building

Ck. No. 28363 – Cotton Cargo
\$3,947.50 – Office Employee Shirt Order

Ck. No. 28364 – DISA Global Solutions, Inc.
\$160.00 – New Employee Drug Testing

Ck. No. 28365 – FMW, P.C.
\$2,200.00 – Accounting Services – April 2026

Ck. No. 28366 – Function 4 LLC
\$402.81 – Konica Copier Lease – May 2026

Ck. No. 28367 – GFL Plant Services, LP
\$5,195.95 – Rollbox & Holding Tank Rental

Ck. No. 28368 – Gannett Fleming, Inc.
\$7,976.57 – Groves Detention Pond Engineering Services

Ck. No. 28369 – Greg Bostwick
\$500.00 – Weather Services

Ck. No. 28370 – Hybrid Health Systems
\$490.00 – Employee Worker's Comp Visit

Ck. No. 28371 – Jeffrey S. Ward
\$29,000.00 – Grant Administration Services

Ck. No. 28372 – Ken's Electrical Marine Service
\$480.00 – Generator Repairs Pump Station 8

Ck. No. 28373 – LJA Engineering, Inc.
\$1,395.16 – Storm Water Management Plan

Ck. No. 28374 – LJA Surveying, Inc.
\$30,000.00 – Sabine Pass to Galveston Bay Project – PAV03C Land Acquisition

Ck. No. 28375 – M & S Unlimited Services, LLC
\$1,000.00 – Transportation Services – Tractor & Picker

Ck. No. 28376 – Ritter Forest Products Nederland
\$4,200.00 – Mat Rental – New Equipment Shed

Ck. No. 28377 – Sam & Tash Services, Inc.
\$1,569.62 – Administration Building Janitorial Services

Ck. No. 28378 – Sunbelt Rentals
\$6,681.65 – Multiple Equipment Rentals

Ck. No. 28379 – Texas Division of Emergency Management
\$76,565.69 – Refund of Overpayment on Harvey Grant

Ck. No. 28380 – Texas Regional Title
\$369.80 – Sabine Pass to Galveston Bay Project – PAV03A.1 Land Acquisition - Hebert

Ck. No. 28381 – Toby Davis
\$483.31 – TWA RMF Travel Reimbursement

Ck. No. 28382 – Vector Security, Inc.
\$68.96 – Monthly Alarm Service – Control Center

Ck. No. 28383 – W & W Construction
\$19,500.000 – New Equipment Shed Concrete Labor

Ck. No. 28384 – LJA Engineering, Inc.
\$5,756.41 – Engineering Services – Halbouty Detention Pond

GLO Account

Ck. No. 5128 – Texan Engineering
\$25,798.50 – PAV03C City of Port Arthur Relocation

Commissioner Gamble moved that the checks from the Maintenance Fund and GLO Accounts be approved for payment. Commissioner Vincent seconded the motion.

The motion carried.

Executive Session – Pursuant to Section 551.072, Texas Government Code, Regarding Property Acquisitions

At 2:11 p.m., the Commissioners entered an Executive Session pursuant to Section 551.072, Texas Government Code, regarding Property Acquisitions.

At 2:22 p.m., the meeting returned to its regular session.

Consider and Take Action, if any, on Items Discussed in Executive Session

Commissioner Vincent moved to approve and authorize the General Manager or his designee to negotiate and execute the necessary instruments to complete the property acquisition. Commissioner Gamble seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Chairman Beaumont asked if there was any more other business to come before the Board. There was none.

At 2:25 p.m., Commissioner Moses moved that the meeting be adjourned. Commissioner Vincent seconded the motion. The motion carried.


Richard Beaumont, Chairman


Albert Moses, Jr., Secretary



VISITOR SIGN-IN SHEET
MEETING NO. 2467
Tuesday, May 19, 2026

	Name	Email Address	Telephone Number	Public Comment	
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