

TENSAS BASIN LEVEE DISTRICT  
AUGUST 13, 2019

The Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District met for its regular meeting Tuesday, August 13, 2019 at 9:30 A. M. in its office located at 505 District Drive Monroe, Louisiana.

Mr. Drew Keahey, President, called the meeting to order and requested the Secretary call roll with the following present and answering: Mr. Rodney Hutchins, Catahoula Parish; Mr. Mike Calloway, Mr. Jonathan Johnson and Mr. Charles Venable, Ouachita Parish; Ms. Ramona N. Haire and Mr. Robert Neal Harwell, Richland Parish; Mr. Ashley Peters, Franklin Parish; Mr. Dick Zeagler, LaSalle Parish; Ms. Michelle Collum, West Carroll Parish. Absent: Mr. Venoy Kinnaird, Morehouse Parish.

Others in attendance were: Mr. Sam Hodge, Mr. Dillan McIntosh, Mr. Chris Higgins and Mr. Fred Cifreo, Department of Transportation and Development; Mr. Michael Street, Attorney, Tensas Basin Levee District; Mr. John Stringer, Executive Director, Tensas Basin Levee District; Mr. Justin Holloway, Maintenance Supervisor, Tensas Basin Levee District; Mr. Matt Varnell, Maintenance Supervisor, Tensas Basin Levee District; Mr. Brandon Waggoner, Chief, Levee District Police; Mr. Mike Venable, Ouachita Parish; Jermaine Powell, Bruce Greer and Eddie Mason, Tensas Basin Levee District.

President Drew Keahey opened the meeting with prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

The following resolution was introduced by Commissioner Ramona Haire, seconded by Commissioner Mike Calloway and passed unanimously by the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District, after President Drew Keahey called for public comments and there were none, to-wit:

RESOLUTION

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District does hereby declare that the reading of the minutes of the regular meeting of July 9, 2019 is hereby dispensed with and declared approved as published in the official journal of this board, The Richland Beacon News.

Naomi Eppinette  
Secretary

Drew Keahey  
President

The following resolution was introduced by Commissioner Ramona N. Haire, seconded by Commissioner Robert N Harwell and passed unanimously by the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District, after President Drew Keahey called for public comments and there were none, to-wit:

RESOLUTION

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District does hereby approve all bills approved by the claims committee for July, 2019.

Naomi Eppinette  
Secretary

Drew Keahey  
President

The following resolution was introduced by Commissioner Rodney Hutchins, seconded by Commissioner Jonathan Johnson and passed unanimously by the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District, after President Drew Keahey called for public comments and there were none, to-wit:

RESOLUTION

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District does authorize the President and Secretary to advertise for bids for lease as follows:

Hunting 22 acres in Catahoula Parish

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, sealed bids shall be received at the office of the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District up to 7:30 A. M., September 10, 2019 at P. O. Box 68, Rayville, La. and 708 Julia Street, Suite 101B, Rayville, La.; and up until 9:30 A. M., September 10, 2019 at 505 District Drive, Monroe, La. 71202-6862 at which time they shall be opened and read aloud.

Naomi Eppinette  
Secretary

Drew Keahey  
President

The following resolution was introduced by Commissioner Jonathan Johnson seconded by Commissioner Ramona Haire, and passed unanimously by the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District, after President Drew Keahey called for public comments and there were none, to-wit:

RESOLUTION

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District does authorize the President and Secretary to advertise for bids for sale of surplus equipment as follows:

- 2008 Blue Wave boat, motor and trailer (Asset # P037, P039, P040)
- 2006 John Deere 7420 tractor Serial #3143 (Asset# M152)
- 2006 John Deere 7420 tractor Serial # 3017(Asset#M154)
- 2004 John Deere 7420 tractor Serial # 6486(Asset# J039)
- 2015 Ford F550 Vin#5388 (Asset#M225)
- Sharp AR M207 Copier (Asset# J103)

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Naomi Eppinette  
Secretary

Drew Keahey  
President

The following resolution was introduced by Commissioner Mike Calloway, and seconded by Commissioner Ashley Peters, and passed unanimously by the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District, after President Drew Keahey called for public comments and there were none, to-wit:

RESOLUTION

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District does hereby authorize the following to be removed from the Fixed Assets of the Tensas Basin Levee District.

- Security System(1991) Asset #M047
- Recording System(1986) Asset #M022
- Computer(2005) Asset#M142
- Typewriter(1990) Asset#R001

Naomi Eppinette  
Secretary

Drew Keahey  
President

Mr. John Stringer gave updates on Bayou Bartholomew projects.

Financial statements were reviewed and discussed.

Mr. Brandon Waggoner recognizes two Tensas Basin Levee District employees for going above and beyond call of duty during the flood fight event. Jermaine Powell and Bruce Greer were presented with a Certificate of Recognition.

Mr. Sam Hodge, Department of Transportation and Development advised the 408 permits are up to date. He will be attending the ORVA convention. DOTD Engineers are working on levee inspections this week.

Mr. Michael Street stated all hunting leases are complete as well as the Caldwell Parish land purchase.

Mr. Brandon Waggoner working on the Right of Entry in Caldwell Parish for the CORP. We will be having an educational training after the September board meeting.

Mrs. Ramona Haire asked the board about her giving a financial report every quarter to keep them updated on the finances.

Mr. Drew Keahey announced the annual Pea Cooking will be after the October board meeting.

There being no further business to come before the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District at this time, President Keahey adjourned the meeting.

Naomi Eppinette  
Secretary

Drew Keahey  
President