

TENSAS BASIN LEVEE DISTRICT
FEBRUARY 14, 2017

The Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District met for its regular meeting Tuesday, 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. Drew Keahey, President, Caldwell Parish; Mr. Rodney Hutchins, Vice President, Catahoula Parish; Mr. Mike Calloway and Mr. Charles Venable Ouachita Parish; Ms. Ramona N. Haire and Mr. Robert Neal Harwell, Richland Parish; Mr. Ashley Peters, Franklin Parish; Mr. Venoy Kinnaird, Morehouse Parish and Mr. Dick Zeagler, LaSalle Parish Absent: Mr. Jonathan Johnson, Ouachita Parish and Mrs. Michelle Collum, West Carroll Parish.

Others in attendance were: Mr. Gary Eldridge and Mr. Sam Hodge, Department of Transportation and Development; Mr. Robin Blake and Mr. Max Tullos, Corps of Engineers; Mr. John Stringer, Executive Director, Tensas Basin Levee District; Mr. Johnny Trisler and Mr. Chris Legendre, Maintenance Supervisors, Tensas Basin Levee District, Mr. Tracy Hilburn, Maintenance Supertendant, Tensas Basin Levee District and Mr. Brandon Waggoner, Captain, Levee District Police

Commissioner Ashley Peters opened the meeting with prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Tracy Hilburn.

The following resolution was introduced by Commissioner Rodney Hutchins, 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

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District advertised for surface leasing for the following:

NE ¼ of NE ¼, Section 12, Township 23 North, Range 10 East, containing 31.66 acres more or less located in West Carroll Parish for hunting purposes for a five year period.

WHEREAS, the time having arrived for the opening of bids, the following bid was received, opened and read aloud:

Shannon Ainsworth, 1003 Colyer Road, Oak Grove, Louisiana 71263 bid \$10.00 per acre per year for a five year period.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District does hereby accept that certain bid of Shannon Ainsworth for \$10.00 per acre per year for hunting purposes for a five year period.

Virginia Caviness
Secretary

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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 January 10, 2017 is hereby dispensed with and declared approved as published in the official journal of this board, The Richland Beacon News.

Virginia Caviness
Secretary

Drew Keahey
President

The following resolution was introduced by Commissioner Ramona N. Haire, seconded by

Commissioner Dick Zeagler, 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 January, 2017.

Virginia Caviness
Secretary

Drew Keahey
President

Mr. Tracy Hilburn, Maintenance Supertendant, advised of various projects to be funded by FEMA with the State of Louisiana refunding the Tensas Basin Levee District our twenty-five percent cost making zero cost to the Tensas Basin Levee District. This is due to March, 2016 flooding.

The following resolution was introduced by Commissioner Venoy Kinnaird, 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 approve expenses for construction of Lee Lane Levee, Caldwell Parish, Horse Bayou Levee, Morehouse Parish and Buckhorn Bend Levee, Ouachita Parish as approved by FEMA.

Virginia Caviness
Secretary

Drew Keahey
President

Financial reports and Levee District Police reports were reviewed and discussed after President Drew Keahey called for public comments and there were none.

Mr. Sam Hodge, Department of Transportation reported on outstanding permits.

President Drew Keahey instructed the Secretary to note that Legal Counsel was not present for meeting today. President Keahey further advised the March 14, 2017 meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District will commence at 10:30 A. M. instead of 9:30 A. M..

As there is no further business to come before the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District at this time, President Drew Keahey declared the meeting adjourned.

Virginia Caviness
Secretary

Drew Keahey
President