

TENSAS BASIN LEVEE DISTRICT
JUNE 9, 2020

The Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District met for its regular meeting Tuesday, June 9, 2020 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, Ouachita Parish; Ms. Ramona N. Haire, Richland Parish; Mr. Dick Zeagler, LaSalle Parish; Mr. Ashley Peters, Franklin Parish; Ms. Michelle Collum, West Carroll Parish; Absent: Mr. Jonathan Johnson, Ouachita Parish; Mr. Robert Neal Harwell, Richland Parish.

Others in attendance were: Mr. Jeff Albritton, Lott Oil; Mr. Dylan McIntosh, DOTD; 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. Jason McMillan, Levee District Police.

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

The following resolution was introduced by Commissioner Rodney Hutchins, 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

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District advertised for furnishing of road diesel fuel, off road diesel fuel and unleaded gasoline commencing July 01, 2020 and ending June 30, 2021 for Monroe, Louisiana and Jonesville, Louisiana areas.

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

Delta Fuel Co., P. O. Box 1810 Ferriday, La. 71334 bid \$.15 per gallon above OPIS Daily Index for unleaded regular gasoline, off road use diesel fuel and road use diesel for Jonesville, La. And Monroe, La.

McCartney Oil Co., P. O. Box 1200, Jena, La. 71342 bid \$.09 per gallon above OPIS Daily Index for unleaded regular gasoline, off road use diesel fuel and road use diesel for Jonesville, La. and Monroe, La.

Lott Oil Co 7490 Frontage Rd Monroe, LA 71202 bid \$.22 per gallon above OPIS Daily Index for unleaded regular gasoline, off road use diesel fuel and road use diesel for Jonesville, La. and Monroe, La.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District does hereby accept that certain bid of McCartney Oil and Supply of \$.09 per gallon above OPIS Daily Index for road diesel fuel, off road diesel fuel and unleaded regular gasoline.

Naomi Eppinette
Secretary

Drew Keahey
President

The following resolution was introduced by Commissioner Rodney Hutchins, 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

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District advertised for

furnishing of road diesel fuel, off road diesel fuel and unleaded gasoline commencing July 01, 2020 and ending June 30, 2021 for Arkansas City, Arkansas areas.

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

Scott Petroleum, P. O. Box 668, Lake Village, Arkansas 71653 bid \$.22 per gallon above OPIS Daily Index for unleaded regular gasoline, off road use diesel and road use diesel for Arkansas City, Arkansas area.

Delta Fuel Co., P. O. Box 1810 Ferriday, La. 71334 bid \$.15 per gallon above OPIS Daily Index for unleaded regular gasoline, off road use diesel fuel and road use diesel for Arkansas City, AR.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District does hereby accept that certain bid of Delta Fuel Co of \$.15 per gallon above OPIS Daily Index for road diesel fuel, off road diesel fuel and unleaded regular gasoline.

Naomi Eppinette
Secretary

Drew Keahey
President

The following resolution was introduced by Commissioner Ramona Haire, seconded by Commissioner Rodney Hutchins, 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 the official journal for fiscal year 2020-21.

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

Richland Beacon News bid \$4.80 per column inch being one column wide by one inch tall.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District does hereby accept that certain bid of Richland Beacon News of \$4.80 per one column wide by one inch tall.

Naomi Eppinette
Secretary

Drew Keahey
President

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 May 12, 2020 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 Rodney Hutchins 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 May 2020.

Naomi Eppinette
Secretary

Drew Keahey
President

The following resolution was introduced by Commissioner Mike Calloway 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 authorize the President and Secretary to advertise for bids for sale of surplus equipment as follows:

- 2008 John Deere 48" Lawn Mower X320 Hours- 293.5 Serial#-7296

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., July 14, 2020 at P. O. Box 68, Rayville, La. and 708 Julia Street, Suite 101B, Rayville, La.; and up until 9:30 A. M., July 14, 2020 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 Michelle Collum 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 authorize the President and Secretary to advertise for bids for Farm lease as follows:

-43 acres in Franklin Parish, LA

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., July 14, 2020 at P. O. Box 68, Rayville, La. and 708 Julia Street, Suite 101B, Rayville, La.; and up until 9:30 A. M., July 14, 2020 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 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:

**AMENDED BUDGET
2019-20**

	2019-20	AMEND	FINAL BUDGET
REVENUES:			
Ad Valorem Taxes	3,582,000.00		3,582,000.00
State Revenue Sharing	70,000.00	10,000.00	80,000.00
Federal Funds	0	20,000.00	20,000.00
State Funds	0	1,130,000.00	1,130,000.00
Interest	211,000.00	-26,000.00	185,000.00
Royalties and Leases	200,000.00		200,000.00
Investments	-210,000.00		-210,000.00
Intergovernmental	900,000.00	100,000.00	1,000,000.00
Miscellaneous	117,200.00	92,800.00	210,000.00

TOTAL REVENUES:	4,870,200.00	1,326,800.00	6,197,000.00
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EXPENDITURES:

Personal Services	3,767,500.00		3,767,500.00
Travel	30,000.00	-10,000.00	20,000.00
Operating Services	1,066,700.00	-66,700.00	1,000,000.00
Supplies	320,000.00	-100,000.00	220,000.00
Professional	40,000.00	15,000.00	55,000.00
Capital Outlay	4,714,300.00		4,714,300.00

TOTAL EXPENDITURES

9,938,500.00	-161,700.00	9,776,800.00
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Excess (Deficiency) Of Revenues Over Expenditures

(5,068,300.00)	1,165,100.00	(3,579,800.00)
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Fund Balance, Beginning Of Year

6,511,021.00	163,141.00	6,347,880.00
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Fund Balance, End of Year

1,442,721.00	1,001,959.00	2,768,080.00
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Naomi Eppinette
Secretary

Drew Keahey
President

The following resolution was introduced by Commissioner Rodney Hutchins, seconded by Commissioner Michelle Collum, 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:

**BUDGET
2020-2021**

REVENUES:

Ad Valorem Taxes	3,582,000.00
State Revenue Sharing	70,000.00
Interest	211,000.00
Royalties and Leases	200,000.00
Investments	-210,000.00
Intergovernmental	900,000.00
Miscellaneous	117,200.00

TOTAL REVENUES:	4,870,200.00
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EXPENDITURES:

Personal Services	3,753,500.00
Travel	30,000.00
Operating Services	1,068,500.00
Supplies	318,000.00
Professional	46,000.00
Capital Outlay	4,738,500.00

TOTAL EXPENDITURES	9,954,500.00
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Excess (Deficiency) Of Revenues Over Expenditures	(5,084,300.00)
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Fund Balance, Beginning Of Year	6,347,880.00
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Fund Balance, End of Year	1,263,580.00
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Total revenues estimated at \$4,870,200.00. Fund balance at beginning of year estimated at \$6,347,880.00 making total revenues of \$11,218,080.00 with expenditures estimated at \$9,954,500.00 leaving an unobligated estimated fund balance of \$1,263,580.00

Purchase of fixed assets is set at \$4,738,500.00 with \$4,000,000.00 being set for capital improvements to levees and/or flood fight.

Fund balance is estimated to decrease to approximately \$1,263,580.00 due to levee improvements/repairs//flood fight and purchase of capital items. If the \$4,000,000.00 is not spent during 2019-20, there should be a fund balance at year's end of \$5,263,580.00.

Naomi Eppinette
Secretary

Drew Keahey
President

The following resolution was introduced by Commissioner Rodney Hutchins, seconded by Commissioner Michelle Collum, 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 Mr. Drew Keahey, President to sign the Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the City of West Monroe, LA for commercial development on property adjacent to the Ouachita River.

Naomi Eppinette
Secretary

Drew Keahey
President

Mr. Brandon Waggoner gave updates on Right of Entry on 11 projects. Advised we have plans to survey the Big Colewa.

Financial statements were reviewed and discussed.

Mr. Matt Varnell advised water is going down and gates are open.

Mr. Drew Keahey mentioned the passing of our commissioner Mr. Venoy Kinnaird on June 5,2020. Prayers and condolences go out to the Kinnard family.

Mr. Dick Zeagler thanked the staff for the hard work on the budget.

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