

TENSAS BASIN LEVEE DISTRICT
May 10, 2016

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. Charles Venable, Mr. Mike Calloway and Mr. Jonathan Johnson, Ouachita Parish; Ms. Ramona N. Haire and Mr. Robert Neal Harwell, Richland Parish; Mr. Dick Zeagler, LaSalle Parish and Mr. Ashley Peters, Franklin Parish. Absent: Mr. Venoy Kinnaird, Morehouse Parish and Mr. Shelton Ruffin, West Carroll Parish.

Others in attendance were: Mr. Ryan McMillian and Mr. Sam Hodge, Department of Transportation and Development, Monroe, La.; Mr. Max Tullos, Corps of Engineers, Vidalia, La.; Mr. Steve Tew, Attorney, Tensas Basin Levee District; Mr. John Stringer, Executive Director, Tensas Basin Levee District; Mr. Johnny Trisler, Maintenance Supervisor, Tensas Basin Levee District, Mr. Tracy Hilburn, Maintenance Supertendant, Tensas Basin Levee District and Mr. Brandon Waggoner, Levee District Police

Commissioner Ashley Peters opened the meeting with prayer being followed by Mr. Tracy Hilburn leading in Pledge of Allegiance.

The following resolution was introduced by Commissioner Mike Calloway, 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 surface leasing for the following:

NE ¼ of NW ¼, Section 15, Township 12 North, Range 9 East containing 39.97 acres more or less located in Franklin Parish for hunting purposes for a five year period.

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

John Owen Outdoors, LLC, 2282 Highway 15, Rayville, La. 71269 bid \$11.26 per acre per year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District does hereby accept that certain bid of John Owen Outdoors, LLC for \$11.26 per acre per year for a five year period.

Virginia Caviness
Secretary

Drew Keahey
President

The following resolution was introduced by Commissioner Robert Neal Harwell, seconded by Commissioner Charles Venable, 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 April 12, 2016 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 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 all bills approved by the claims committee for April, 2016.

Virginia Caviness
Secretary

Drew Keahey
President

The following resolution was introduced by Commissioner Robert Neal Harwell, 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

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

Official Journal
Fuel

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that bids shall be received up until 7:30 A. M., June 14, 2016 at the office of the Tensas Basin Levee District, P. O. Box 68, Rayville, La. 71269 and 708 Julia Street, Suite 101B, Courthouse, Rayville, La. and up until 9:30 A. M., June 14, 2016 at the office of the Tensas Basin Levee District, 505 District Drive, Monroe, La. 71202-6862, at which time bids shall be opened and read aloud.

Virginia Caviness
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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District does hereby declare that certain bid awarded Mr. Ray McKay, 609 Cooper Meadow Blvd., Youngsville, Louisiana 70592 on March 08, 2016 for hunting lease of 52.40 acres in Catahoula Parish, La. to be terminated due to none payment of lease and not returning executed lease to the Tensas Basin Levee District with ten percent (10%) term consideration being retained by the Tensas Basin Levee District.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District does hereby authorize the President and Secretary to advertise for bids for surface leasing for the following described property:

CATAHOULA PARISH: Part of Lot Six, Section 21 AND PART OF THE ne/4 OF se/4, Section 21, Township 4 North, Range 6 East, Start at the SW corner of Lot 3 and run South along the Section Line common to Section 20 and 21, 2.41 chains to establish POINT OF BEGINNING; From POINT OF BEGINNING thus established, run East 22.68 chains to the right bank of Black River the following: South 18 degrees 18 feet East 10.03 chains, South 25 degrees 24 feet East 2.36 chains; then leave the Black River and run West 25.82 chains, thence South 89 degrees 28 feet West 20.32 chains, thence North 11.65 chains; thence North 11.89 degrees 28 feet East 20.32 chains to the POINT OF BEGINNING; Containing 52.40 acres more or less.

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Secretary

Drew Keahey
President

Mr. John Stringer, Executive Director gave an up-to-date report on levee projects. Mr. Tracy Hilburn gave up-to-date report on flood fight and working with FEMA. Mr. Sam Hodge gave up-to-date report on permits requested by others to the Tensas Basin Levee District.

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

President Drew Keahey called for public comments and there were none.

The following resolution was introduced by Commissioner Ashley Peters, 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 enter into Executive Session to discuss personnel.

Virginia Caviness
Secretary

Drew Keahey
President

The following resolution was introduced by Commissioner Ashley Peters, 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 enter back into Regular Session.

Virginia Caviness
Secretary

Drew Keahey
President

President Drew Keahey advised no business was conducted while in Executive Session.

It was agreed the next regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District shall be held June 14, 2016 at 10:30 A. M. at their office located at 505 District Drive, Monroe, Louisiana.

President Drew Keahey advised the Tensas basin Levee District will hold an open meeting, Tuesday, June 14, 2016 at 10:30 A. M., at our office at 505 District Drive, Monroe, Louisiana to adopt the millage rate for 2016 after public comments and there were none.

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.