

TENSAS BASIN LEVEE DISTRICT
OCTOBER 8, 2019

The Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District met for its regular meeting Tuesday, October 8, 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 and Mr. Jonathan Johnson, Ouachita Parish; Ms. Ramona N. Haire and Mr. Robert Neal Harwell, Richland Parish; Mr. Venoy Kinnaird, Morehouse Parish; Ms. Michelle Collum, West Carroll Parish; Mr. Ashley Peters, Franklin Parish; Mr. Dick Zeagler, LaSalle Parish. Absent:None.

Others in attendance were: Mr. Sam Hodge and Mr. Dillan McIntosh, 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 DeFalco, Auditor, Broussard & Company; Mr. Brent Johnson, Ouachita Parish, LA; Mr. Bill Frost, Ouachita Parish, LA; Mr. Eric Collum, West Carroll Parish, LA; Mr. Shelton Ruffin, West Carroll Parish, LA.

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

Mr. Mike DeFalco presented the 2018-2019 Independent Auditor's report for the Tensas Basin Levee District.

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 bids to purchase:

One (1) New 50-51 ton Lowboy Trailer

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

Walker Trailer Sales, Monroe, LA bid \$51,225.00
Ater Warehouse Inc, Ferriday, LA bid \$59,112.00
Bruckner Monroe Truck Sales, Monroe, LA bid \$72,735.00
Bruckner Truck and Trailer Sales, Monroe, LA bid \$63,615.00
Scott Truck, Monroe, LA bid \$54,424.96
Holden Industries, Southwest City, MO bid \$74,772.00
Utility Trailer, Henderson, CO bid \$88,0049.00
West-Mark, Ceres, CA bid \$55,950.00

No bids were submitted on BidSync

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District does hereby accept that certain bid of Walker Trailer Sales of \$51,225.00 for One (1) New 50-51 ton Lowboy Trailer.

Naomi Eppinette
Acting Secretary

Drew Keahey
President

The following resolution was introduced by Commissioner Mike Calloway, 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 hereby declare that the reading of the minutes of the regular meeting of September 10, 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 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 approve all bills approved by the claims committee for September, 2019.

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 to purchase

Pipe and Flood gate for the Riverview Ranch Structure project

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 8:00 A. M., October 28, 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 Dick Zeagler 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 the request for permission from DOTD to use Right of Way at LA133/ LA 4 for levee setback.

Naomi Eppinette
Secretary

Drew Keahey
President

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District does hereby authorize the transfer of a campsite #JB-4A from Chad Smith to Robert D Hathorn and Connie Renee Hathorn.

Naomi Eppinette
Secretary

Drew Keahey
President

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District does hereby authorize the transfer of a campsite #SB-18B from Granville Harvey Cross to Justin LaPrairie.

Naomi Eppinette
Secretary

Drew Keahey
President

Mr. John Stringer gave updates on Bayou Bartholomew projects.

Financial statements were reviewed and discussed.

Mr. Sam Hodge, Department of Transportation and Development stated all permits are up to date.

Mr. Brandon Waggoner announced Mr. Charles Venable's family will be presented with a plaque on his behalf during the annual Pea Cooking.

Ms. Ramona Haire announced the Northeast Louisiana Veterans Cemetery in Rayville will have a National Award Ceremony on Thursday November 10th at 11:00AM.

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