

MINUTES

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Roll Call

Mr. Drew Keahey, President, called the meeting to order and requested the Secretary call roll with the following present and answering:

PRESENT

Commissioner Mike Calloway
Commissioner Johnny Turner
Commissioner Antwain Downs
President Drew Keahey
Vice President Rodney Hutchins
Commissioner Kenneth Wilson
Commissioner Dick Zeagler
Commissioner Robert Neal Harwell
Commissioner Ashley Peters

ABSENT

Commissioner Michelle Collum
Commissioner Dustin Morris

Others in attendance were Mr. Michael Street, Attorney, Tensas Basin Levee District; Mr. Brandon Waggoner, Executive Director, Tensas Basin Levee District; Mr. Matt Varnell, Administrative Director, Tensas Basin Levee District; Mr. Jason McMillin, Tensas Basin Levee District Police; Mr. Terry Desotel

Prayer

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

Public Comment on Agenda Items

Action

1. Minutes of February 2023 Meeting

Motion made by Commissioner Calloway, Seconded by Commissioner Downs 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

February 1, 2023, is hereby dispensed with and declared approved as published in the official journal of this board, The News Star.

Aundi Brown
Interim Secretary

Drew Keahey
President

2. Bills for February 2023

Motion made by Commissioner Peters, seconded by Commissioner 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 2023.

Aundi Brown
Interim Secretary

Drew Keahey
President

3. Hunting Leases

Motion made by Vice President Hutchins, Seconded by Commissioner Wilson 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 five-year period for hunting purposes the following:

Franklin Parish S/2 Section 10 Township 11 North, Range 6 East of
Boeuf River, Franklin Parish, Louisiana, contains 223 acres.

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

Mr. John Daily, of Extension, LA bid \$30.25 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 Mr. John Daily, of Extension, LA bid \$30.25 per acre per year for a five-year period.

WHEREAS the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District advertised for surface leasing for five-year period for hunting purposes the following:

Catahoula Parish: NW/4 of SW/4, Section 30, Township 5 North,
Range 5 East, Catahoula Parish, Louisiana, containing 40 acres more or less.

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

Mr. Kevin Dauzat bids \$25.000 per acre per year for a five-year period.

Mr. Dwayne Dauzat, of Effie, LA bid \$41.00 per acre per year for a five-year period

Mr. Terry Deshotel, of Jennings, LA bid \$26.25 per acre per year for a five-year period.

Mr. Jerod Snody bid \$25.00 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 Mr. Dwayne Dauzat of Effie, LA bid \$41.00 per acre per year for a five-year period.

WHEREAS the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District advertised for surface leasing for five-year period for hunting purposes the following:

West Carroll Parish: E/2 of SE/4, Section, Township 20 North, Range 9 East,
West Carroll Parish, Louisiana, containing 77.16 acres more or less.

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

Mr. Roy Daniels, of Sterlington, LA \$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 Mr. Roy Daniels of Sterlington, LA bid \$10.00 per acre per year for a five-year period.

Aundi Brown
Interim Secretary

Drew Keahey
President

Requests

4. Authorize to remove Naomi Eppinette as authorized signer for the General Fund account at Caldwell Bank & Trust.

Motion made by Commissioner Calloway, Seconded by Commissioner Turner 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 removal of Naomi Eppinette from the general account at Caldwell Bank and trust

Aundi Brown
Interim Secretary

Drew Keahey
President

5. Appoint Aundi Brown as Interim Secretary to the Board.

Motion made by Commissioner Wilson, Seconded by Commissioner Harwell, and passed unanimously by the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District, after Vice President Rodney Hutchins 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 appoint Aundi Brown as Interim Secretary to the Board.

Aundi Brown
Interim Secretary

Drew Keahey
President

6. Transfer Campsite

-BHB-18 Wayne Woodson desires to transfer said campsite lease to Jacob Andries.

Motion made by Commissioner Wilson, Seconded by Commissioner Wilson, 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 did authorize the transfer of campsite –BHB-18 from Wayne Woodson to Jacob Andries

Aundi Brown
Interim Secretary

Drew Keahey
President

Presentations

Items for Discussion

Levee Updates

Brandon Waggoner advised that the Attorney General's office is seeking support from municipalities, levee districts, and both state and federal legislators to support litigation against FEMA regarding flood insurance risk rating.

Brandon Waggoner stated that the USACE will be starting the levee maintenance project just north of The Tensas Basin Levee District facility in the next month. They are currently moving barges into place for this project.

Financial Statements

7. Review Financial Statements

Financial Statements were reviewed and discussed.

Public Comments

Adjourn

Meeting Adjourned 10:01 am.

Next Meeting April 11, 2023, 9:30am