



TENSAS BASIN LEVEE DISTRICT

REGULAR MEETING

Board of Commissioners

Tuesday, March 11, 2025, at 9:30 AM

505 District Drive Monroe, LA

MINUTES

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Roll Call

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

PRESENT

President Drew Keahey
Vice President Rodney Hutchins
Commissioner Dick Zeagler
Commissioner Mike Calloway
Commissioner Ashley Peters
Commissioner Harris Brown
Commissioner Robert Neal Harwell
Commissioner Scott Mathews
Commissioner Michael Costello
Commissioner Kenneth Wilson

ABSENT

Commissioner Dustin Morris

Others in attendance were Mr. Brandon Waggoner, Executive Director of Tensas Basin Levee District; Mr. Justin Holloway, Operations Superintendent of Tensas Basin Levee District; Aundi Brown, Board Secretary of Tensas Basin Levee District; Mr. Michael Street, Attorney for Tensas Basin Levee District, Max Tullos USACE, Susan Douglas, Ash Mohammad, DOTD.

Prayer

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

Public Comment on Agenda Items

Action

1. Minutes of the February 2025 Meeting

Motion made by Commissioner Zeagler, Seconded by Commissioner 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 at this moment declare that the reading of the minutes of the regular meeting of February 2025 is at this moment dispensed with and declared approved as published in the official journal of this board, The News-Star.

Aundi Brown
Secretary

Drew Keahey
President

2. Bills for February 2024

A motion made by Commissioner Peters, seconded by Commissioner Harwell, 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 hereby approves the payment of all bills and statements reviewed and approved by the Financial Committee for February 2025.

Aundi Brown
Secretary

Drew Keahey
President

3. Davis Lake Task Order Change

A motion was made by Commissioner Brown, 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 hereby approves the Task Order Change for the Davis Lake Project totaling \$44,000.00.

Aundi Brown
Secretary

Drew Keahey
President

4. Purchase of New Vehicles

Motion made by Vice President Hutchins, seconded by Commissioner Mathews, 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 the purchase of two Chevrolet Traverses to be used as Administration Vehicles with the funds previously budgeted to purchase one Chevrolet Tahoe,

Aundi Brown
Secretary

Drew Keahey
President

5. Rental Equipment

Motion made by Commissioner Mathews, 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 Tensas Basin Levee District Board of Commissioners approves the rental of an amphibious excavator at the rate of \$1,100 per day.

Aundi Brown
Secretary

Drew Keahey
President

6. Renew Cybersecurity Contract with Kinetix

A motion was made by Commissioner Zeagler, seconded by Commissioner Brown, 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 does approve the renewal of our cybersecurity contract with our current vendor Kinetix.

Aundi Brown
Secretary

Drew Keahey
President

Requests

Presentations

Executive Director Brandon Waggoner presented TBLD Employee Tommy Joe McClure with a plaque for his 10 years for service and retirement from Tensas Basin Levee District.

Items for Discussion

Updates on Levee Projects

Financial Statements

7. Financial Statements were reviewed and discussed.

Public Comment

Levee Projects

The Permanent Floodwall Gap Closure Project is 90% complete. Working with Smith ROW Services to purchase Right-of-way for future projects. President Keahey and Executive Director Waggoner will be representing the district at a meeting with the URMA Committee on March 27th in Baton Rouge.

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 10:07 a.m.

Next Meeting April 8, 2025, 9:30am