



TENSAS BASIN LEVEE DISTRICT

REGULAR MEETING

Board of Commissioners

Tuesday, April 14, 2026, 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 the 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 Michael Costello

Commissioner Robert Neal Harwell

Commissioner Harris Brown

Commissioner Dustin Morris

ABSENT

Commissioner Scott Mathews

Commissioner Kenneth Wilson

Others in attendance were Mr. Brandon Waggoner, Executive Director of Tensas Basin Levee District; Mr. Justin Holloway, Operations Superintendent of Tensas Basin Levee District; Justin Cromwell, Police Captain of Tensas Basin Levee District; Aundi Brown, Board Secretary of Tensas Basin Levee District; and Mr. Michael Street, Attorney for Tensas Basin Levee District. Holly Tucker, Tensas Basin Levee District Admin, Ash Mohammad DOTD. Hunter Swallow & Neal Ponthier.

Prayer

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

Public Comment on Agenda Items

Action

1. Minutes of March 2026 Meeting

Motion made by Commissioner Zeagler, seconded by Commissioner Brown, and passed unanimously by the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District after President 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 March 2026 is at this moment dispensed with and declared approved as published in the official journal of this board.

Aundi Brown
Secretary

Drew Keahey
President

2. Bills for March 2026

A motion made by Commissioner Peters, seconded by Commissioner Costello, and passed unanimously by the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District after President 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 March 2026.

Aundi Brown
Secretary

Drew Keahey
President

3. Open Bid on Lease Catahoula 2- 120 Acres

The following bids were received

John Poindexter	\$40.00 per acre	Ryan Vadrine	\$20.04 per acre
Josh Townsend	\$26.00 per acre	Bryan Acman	\$23.85 per acre
Willis Dillworth	\$21.55 per acre		

A motion made by Commissioner Brown, seconded by Vice President Hutchins, and passed unanimously by the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District after President 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 accepts the bid of John Poindexter of \$40.00 per acre for 120 acres Catahoula Lease #2.

Aundi Brown
Secretary

Drew Keahey
President

4. Open Bid on Lease Catahoula 8- 392.34 Acres

The following bids were received

John Lacavode	\$55.01 per acre	James Swallow	\$51.23 per acre
Todd Murray	\$76.00 per acre		

A motion made by Commissioner Morris, seconded by Commissioner Costello, and passed unanimously by the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District after President 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 accepts the bid of Todd Murray of \$76.00 per acre for 392.34 acres Catahoula Lease #8.

Aundi Brown
Secretary

Drew Keahey
President

5. Open Bid on Lease Catahoula 9- 238.28 Acres

The following bids were received

Steven Fontenot	\$44.00 per acre	Tim Ford	\$38.45 per acre
Alfred Meyer	\$30.01 per acre	Marcus Cripps	\$37.78 per acre

A motion made by Vice President Hutchins, seconded by Commissioner Brown, and passed unanimously by the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District after President 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 accepts the bid of Steven Fontenot of \$44.00 per acre for 238.28 acres Catahoula Lease #9.

Aundi Brown
Secretary

Drew Keahey
President

6. Open Bid on Lease Franklin 1- 60 Acres

The following bids were received

Scott Neilsen	\$25.07 per acre	Charles Cureington	\$26.00 per acre
George Faulk	\$36.00 per acre		

Willis Dillworth **\$21.55**

A motion made by Vice President Hutchins, seconded by Commissioner Zeagler, and passed unanimously by the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District after President 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 accepts the bid of George Faulk of \$36.00 per acre for 60 acres, Franklin Lease #1.

Aundi Brown
Secretary

Drew Keahey
President

7. Open Bid on Lease Franklin 6- 39.97 Acres

The following bids were received

Tim Danzlier	\$11.15 per acre	John Owen	\$20.00 per acre
William King	\$12.06 per acre	Jeremy Smith	\$21.00 per acre

A motion made by Commissioner Calloway, seconded by Commissioner Morris, and passed unanimously by the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District after President 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 accepts the bid of Jeremy Smith of \$21.00 per acre for 39.97 acres Franklin Lease #6.

Aundi Brown
Secretary

Drew Keahey
President

8. Open Bid on Lease Franklin 7- 79.36 Acres

The following bids were received

Jake McCoy	\$20.05 per acre	Carl Primeaux	\$15.00 per acre
Alfred Meyer	\$13.85 per acre		

A motion made by Commissioner Brown, seconded by Commissioner Costello, and passed unanimously by the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District after President 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 accepts the bid of Jake McCoy of \$20.05 per acre for 79.36 acres Franklin Lease #7.

Aundi Brown
Secretary

Drew Keahey
President

9. Place Catahoula #3 Lease out for bid

A motion made by Commissioner Costello, seconded by Commissioner Brown, and passed unanimously by the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District after President 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 placing Catahoula Lease #3 – 52.4 Acres out for bid to be awarded in June.

Aundi Brown
Secretary

Drew Keahey
President

10. Place Richland Lease # 2 out for Bid

A motion made by Commissioner Brown, seconded by Vice President Hutchins, and passed unanimously by the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District after President 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 placing Richland Lease #2 – 38.91 acres out for bid to be awarded in June.

Aundi Brown
Secretary

Drew Keahey
President

11. Change Order #3 New TBLD Maintenance Facility (Contingent upon meeting with the SFM Office 4/14)

A motion made by Commissioner Brown, seconded by Commissioner Morris, and passed unanimously by the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District after President 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 adding 30 days to the construction time of the new TBLD Maintenance Facility. (Contingent upon meeting with the SFM Office 4/14/26 @ 1 pm).

Aundi Brown
Secretary

Drew Keahey
President

12. Change Order #2 New TBLD Administration Facility, adding 60 Days to the Construction Timeline.

A motion made by Commissioner Brown, seconded by Commissioner Calloway, and passed unanimously by the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District after President 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 Change Order #2 New TBLD Administration Facility, adding 60 Days to the Construction Timeline.

Aundi Brown
Secretary

Drew Keahey
President

13. Transfer Campsite SB-5 from Dominic Petre to Wendy Deal

A motion made by Vice President Hutchins, seconded by Commissioner Zeagler, and passed unanimously by the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District after President 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 transfer of campsite SB-5 from Dominic Petre to his daughter Wendy Deal.

Aundi Brown
Secretary

Drew Keahey
President

Commissioner Harris Brown recused himself from voting on the next agenda item.

14. Police Presentation Gate Construction at Chauvin Levee near Pump Station

A motion made by Commissioner Costello, seconded by Commissioner Calloway, and passed unanimously by the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District after President 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 building of a gate on the Chauvin Levee near the pump station to secure infrastructure onsite.

Aundi Brown
Secretary

Drew Keahey
President

15. Gate Replacement at the Black Bayou Pump Station

A motion made by Commissioner Brown, seconded by Vice President Hutchins, and passed unanimously by the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District after President 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 replacing the gate at the Black Bayou Pumpstation.

Aundi Brown
Secretary

Drew Keahey
President

16. Plum Street Pump Station City of Monroe

A motion made by Commissioner Brown, seconded by Commissioner Peters, and passed unanimously by the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District after President 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 allowing the City of Monroe an after-the-fact permit on the maintenance of the Plum Street Pump Station due to time constraints on the project funding source.

Aundi Brown
Secretary

Drew Keahey
President

17. Diversion Canal CEA with TBLD & LA Wildlife and Fisheries

A motion made by Commissioner Zeagler, seconded by Vice President Hutchins, and passed unanimously by the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District after President 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 entering into a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries for maintenance of the Diversion Canal.

Aundi Brown
Secretary

Drew Keahey
President

18. Clean out, rip rap, and resetting of the Lake Irwin Weir

A motion made by Commissioner Morris, seconded by Commissioner Brown, and passed unanimously by the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District after President 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 clean out, rip rap, and resetting of the Lake Irwin Weir.

Aundi Brown
Secretary

Drew Keahey
President

19. Notification Letters for the fence and gate owners along TBLD System

A motion made by Commissioner Brown, seconded by Commissioner Peters, and passed unanimously by the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District after President 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 sending of notification letter to the fence and gate owners that TBLD will no longer maintain gates and fence rows that belong to landowners.

Aundi Brown
Secretary

Drew Keahey
President

20. Levee Resurfacing on the West Monroe levee system (Bawcomville Pump Station towards Lzarre)

A motion made by Commissioner Zeagler, seconded by Commissioner Costello, and passed unanimously by the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District after President 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 levee resurfacing project on the West Monroe levee system (Bawcomville Pump Station towards Lzarre).

Aundi Brown
Secretary

Drew Keahey
President

21. Purchase of Gates for the new TBLD Facilities

A motion made by Commissioner Brown, seconded by Commissioner Calloway, and passed unanimously by the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District after President 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 purchase of security gates for new TBLD Facilities.

Aundi Brown
Secretary

Drew Keahey
President

22. Advertise for bids for fences at the new TBLD Facilities

A motion made by Commissioner Zeagler, seconded by Commissioner Costello, and passed unanimously by the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District after President 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 TBLD staff to advertise for bids for the fences at the new TBLD facilities.

Aundi Brown
Secretary

Drew Keahey
President

Requests

Presentations

Items for Discussion

Tier 2 Financial Statements are due before May 15th, 2026.

Financial Statements

23. Financial Statements were reviewed and discussed.

Public Comment

Levee Projects.

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 10:45 am.