



## TENSAS BASIN LEVEE DISTRICT

### REGULAR MEETING

Board of Commissioners

Tuesday, April 8, 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

#### ABSENT

Commissioner Dustin Morris  
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; 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 March 2025 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 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 March 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 March 2024**

A motion made by Commissioner Peters, 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 of the Tensas Basin Levee District hereby approves the payment of all bills and statements reviewed and approved by the Financial Committee for March 2025.

Aundi Brown  
Secretary

Drew Keahey  
President

### **3. Purchase Property in Caldwell Parish**

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 of the Tensas Basin Levee District hereby approves the purchase of 5 acres in Caldwell Parish for up to \$30,000 pending appraisal.

Aundi Brown  
Secretary

Drew Keahey  
President

### **4. Amethyst Construction Change Order**

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 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 Change order proposed by Amethyst Construction on the Floodwall Gap Closures Project, totaling \$8,600.00.

Aundi Brown  
Secretary

Drew Keahey  
President

### **5. Transfer Campsite JB-08**

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 Tensas Basin Levee District Board of Commissioners approves the transfer of campsite JB-08 from Marc Scroggs (deceased lessee) and Chandra Brossett (daughter and beneficiary) to Chandra Brossett solely.

Aundi Brown  
Secretary

Drew Keahey  
President

### **Requests**

#### **Presentations**

Executive Director Brandon Waggoner stated that Ouachita River is rising and the TBLD Staff are preparing for flood-fight. All floodgates should be closed by Thursday, 4/10/2025

#### **Items for Discussion**

#### **Updates on Levee Projects**

#### **Financial Statements**

**6. Financial Statements were reviewed and discussed.**

#### **Public Comment**

**Board President Drew Keahey advised the Tensas Basin Levee District will hold a Public Hearing/Meeting, Tuesday, May 13, 2025 at 9:30 a.m. to consider levying additional or increased millage rates without further voter approval, or adopting the adjusted millage rates after reassessment and rolling forward to rates not to exceed the prior year's maximum, A public meeting will be held at 9:45 am or immediately following the hearing to adopt the millage rate for 2025.**

#### **Levee Projects**

The Permanent Floodwall Gap Closure Project is Complete.

#### **Adjourn**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:31 a.m.

Next Meeting May 13th, 2025, 9:30am